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THE CUSTOMS.

WHAT HAPPENED AT NANKING.

"TARIFF INCREASES."

Mr. T. V. Soong's Conversations With Acting "I. G."

QUESTION OF A CUSTOMS CONFERENCE LEFT IN ABEYANCE.

To-day's news from North China relates to two subjects which are very important from the point of view of the Nationalist Party and Government at Nanking.

One of these subjects is the degree of relationship between the Nationalist Treasury and the Inspector-General of Customs at Peking. Reports are made all the more interesting by the publication of stated American views both on this topic and that Peking will be captured by the Nationalists in three months.

The other subject is that of unification of units in the Nationalist Army. The stumbling block so far has been the Kwangsi military faction and the divisions in Hunan. Chiang Kai-shek is now making a bold bid to remove the obstacles.

MOVE BY CHIANG.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Mr. T. V. Soong, the Nationalist Minister of Finance (and brother-in-law of Chiang Kai-shek) informs Reuter that "rumours to the contrary notwithstanding, my conversations with Mr. A. H. F. Edwards (acting Inspector-General of Chinese Maritime Customs) were limited to private discussion of various proposals for increasing the Chinese Customs tariff. Questions of the proposed convening of a Customs Conference and the Inspector-General were left in abeyance."—Reuter.

"Christian General."

That Peking will be occupied by the Nationalists is indirectly predicted in American sources. Views on other China topics are given in the following, taken from the "Chicago Tribune" service, despatched from Shanghai on Feb. 21.

General Chiang Kai-shek, commander-in-chief of the Nationalist forces, has returned from Honan province, with the announcement that everything was ready for the final drive against Peking, the success of which would place the Nationalists in control of China. Chiang conferred with Feng Yu-hsiang, the "Christian General," who will lead the drive from Honan.

If Japan Does Not Intervene.

Chiang expressed belief that the campaign would be completed within three months, provided the Japanese did not intervene to assist Marshal Chang Tso-lin, head of the Peking Government.

Efforts of British interests to bring about co-operation between the Chinese northern and southern governments respecting the unification of the Chinese Maritime Customs has resulted in failure, it was reported from Nanking. The report said that the "Christian General," Feng Yu-hsiang, disapproved of the scheme on the ground that it would benefit the Peking Government rather than the Nationalists.

Mr. Edwards's Mission.

Feng Yu-hsiang wired that he strongly advocated full tariff autonomy. He pointed out that resumption of the tariff conference which adjourned in 1926 at Peking would tend to strengthen the Peking Government and hence prolong the civil war.

Mr. A. H. F. Edwards, the British acting Inspector-General of Customs, who has been in Shanghai trying to induce the Nationalists to co-operate with the Peking Government on tariff matters, is returning to Peking. This is interpreted here as meaning that his mission has failed.

The Next Move.

The next move of the Nationalist Government is unknown but it is believed that Nanking will shortly refuse to remit further Customs funds to the Peking treasury.

This is likely to prove embarrassing to Chang Tso-lin as the Nationalist Government controls more than 70 per cent. of the Customs revenues, a large part of which is used to support the Peking foreign office and Chinese

HANKOW CONCESSION

Questions Asked In Parliament.

CHAMBERLAIN EVASIVE.

No Steps Being Taken To Resume Control.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons Sir Basil E. Peto asked whether steps were being taken to resume control of the British Concession at Hankow and whether there had been any change in the matter in view of the fact that the Red Government had disappeared.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that there had been no change since his reply of November 23.

Mr. H. W. Looker invited a statement regarding the progress of negotiations and the payment of arrears of interest on the Hankow Municipal debentures, and whether the Municipal Administration of Hankow was working satisfactorily.

Sir A. Chamberlain said he had no information of the first part beyond what was given on February 20. He was not prepared to say the administration had been working well as he could wish, but a recent telegram from the British Consul-General at Hankow stated that generally speaking the Chinese-British council was functioning as well as could be expected under the difficult circumstances of the moment.—Reuter.

ST. DAVID'S DAY.

OFFICIALS LAY WREATH AT CENOTAPH.

St. David's Day was observed quietly in Hong Kong to-day. The local St. David's Society (Cymdeithas Dewi Sant) officials gathered at the Cenotaph, Statue Square, this morning to lay a wreath.

Among those at the ceremony were Mr. E. I. Wynne Jones (the President) and Mrs. Wynne Jones, Captain R. D. Thomas (vice-President), the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes and Mr. D. J. Lewis (past Presidents), Mr. D. Davies and many others.

As announced in the "China Mail" earlier this week, there will be no dinner to-night owing to unforeseen circumstances but it is hoped to renew the invitations on a later occasion.

entrusted with the task of smoothing out difficulties.

Tan Yen-kai will, therefore, not go to Hankow to become commander-in-chief of the 4th Group Army. Chiang Kai-shek is more influential and his name may be more readily accepted in Hunan and Hupeh.

Chiang's Feeler?

Nanking, Yesterday. The Military Council of the Nationalist Government on Tuesday appointed Mr. Wang Chung-wei, Mr. Hu Han-min and Mr. Chen Chi-liang to be special members of the Military Council.—Reuter.

These appointments are in the nature of a surprise. Wang Chung-wei is the leader of the extremist clique which has been out of power. Hu Han-min, a former governor of Canton and now on tour with Dr. C. C. Wu, is a conservative. Opinion in political circles is that Chiang Kai-shek, as chairman of the Military Council, has instigated these appointments as a "feeler" towards uniting all types of Nationalist politicians in the administration and under his own leadership.

Lines Joined Up Again.

Shanghai, Yesterday. A message from Haichowfu, the railway junction in north Kiangsu and at present the Nationalist main base, says that the eastern section of the Lung-Hai Railway has been repaired and traffic on the whole line was resumed on Tuesday.—Reuter.

The Lung-Hai Railway runs from east to west into the "Christian General's" domains in Honan province. The Tientsin-Pukow Railway runs from north to south. These two lines cross at Haichowfu where Chiang Kai-shek is trying to assemble a big army for a new attack on the Peking Government. From Hsuehchow, he can maintain contact with the "Christian General's" forces.

Chiang's Bold Stroke.

In other words, Chiang Kai-shek will take the bold stroke of adding these divisions and army corps to his own command. Read with other messages, it also seems

PIRATES AGAIN.

"Kinko Maru" Run On Rocks.

COMPLETELY LOOTED.

Japanese Destroyers Rescue Officers And Crew.

Previously reported, to have gone ashore owing to fog, it now appears that the Japanese steamer "Kinko Maru" was driven ashore by pirates who obtained possession and looted the ship of all of value.

The "Kinko Maru" lies on the rocks in Lat. 25.33.7 N., Long 119.53.32, below Foochow and has been abandoned, the officers and crew having been taken off by Japanese gunboats.

It is reported that the Japanese gunboats arrived in time to engage the pirates who promptly decamped, but all that is officially recorded in a naval wireless message received here is that the pirates escaped in junks to Kwing Island and Haitan Island.

Armed With Knives.

It appears that the ship, which was on its way to Hong Kong, was attacked by pirates armed with knives who obtained complete

FAIR WEATHER.

Observatory's More Promising Forecast.

"Light, variable winds; fair, fog at first" is the Observatory's forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

To-day's noon report reads:—The depression has developed over south-west Japan. Pressure gradients appear to be shallow over China and the China Sea.

possession and beached the ship after thoroughly looting it. The value of the cargo is not known.

H.M.S. "Magnolia" proceeded to the vicinity to render any help but found the Japanese destroyers were doing everything possible and as fog was prevalent, the "Magnolia" returned.

It is reported that the Japanese steamer "Annam Maru" is proceeding to save the vessel, meanwhile, the officers and crew of the pirated ship are being landed at Keelung, Formosa, which is Japanese territory.

The s.s. Kinko Maru (ex-Holmborg, ex-Harald), is a steel screw steamer of 2,987 gross and 1921 net, built in 1903 by J. Thompson and Son of Sunderland, and formerly owned by the Dampskibs Ringbrog of Haugesund, but now in the ownership of the Shiozaki Yokichi and registered at Amagasaki, for whom the M.E.K. are acting as local agents. Her dimensions are:—Length 325 feet, beam 48 feet and moulded depth 21.6 feet, engined to 285 N.H.P. by G. Clark and Co. of Sunderland.

THREAT TO SCUTTLE.

Chinese Ship Looted Near Same Place.

Another steamer was pirated near Foochow a few days ago.

The Chinese passenger steamer "Hua An," which left Shanghai on February 24, arrived at Pagoda Anchorage (the port of Foochow) on Tuesday, after a thrilling, though unhappy, experience at the hands of 14 pirates who, after saturating parts of the ship with kerosene, threatened to set it on fire and scuttle it if a gunboat hovered in sight.

Not content with five cases of piece goods and \$10,000 stolen from the passengers, the pirates made off with four passengers and the ship's shroff.

British Lighters Attacked.

Chenglin, Yesterday. Whilst anchored in shallow water in Tung Ting Lake, British lighters were attacked by unnamed bandits on February 26. A Chinese gunboat is reported to have sent a small guard on board for their protection.—British Naval Wireless.

(Tung Ting Lake is in the north of Hunan province—south west of Hankow—and is drained by the Siang River, a tributary of the Yangtze, which joins the main river above Hankow.)

REDS IN PORTUGAL.

Bomb Found At Rail Works.

MANY ARRESTS.

Rifles And Dum Dum Bullets Also Unearthed.

Lisbon, Yesterday. Following the discovery of a bomb at the railway works at Barreiro, the police made 13 arrests and unearthed quantities of bombs and war material, including rifles and dum-dum bullets.

The police have captured the north Portugal gangsters allegedly responsible for the shooting of two policemen. Numerous communists have been arrested.—Reuter.

TOURISTS ARRIVE.

"FRANCONIA" HELD UP BY FOG.

ANCHORS OUT AT SEA.

Fog delayed the arrival of the three hundred round-the-world tourists on the Cunard liner "Franconia" till one o'clock this afternoon when the 20,000 tons giant steamed into harbour.

As early as four o'clock this morning Mr. N. J. Perrin, the local manager of Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd. (who have organised the cruise), was out with the pilot searching in the mist for the "Franconia." It appears that the liner had made good time coming up from Bangkok and should have come into port early this morning.

Later it was learned that the "Franconia" had anchored four miles off Waglan Lighthouse, to the south-east of Hong Kong Island, waiting for the fog to lift so that she could make the passages up and then through Lyeemut Pass.

Sprinkling of Britons.

The "Franconia" is one of the most luxurious vessels owned by the Cunard Co. and has made previous trips around the world. As will be seen from the table at the end of this article, she left New York on Jan. 7 and is expected to return there on May 31.

There is a sprinkling of British people on the ship, but the majority are Americans. Arrangements have been made for usual shore excursions to the Peak, Repulse Bay, the New Territories, for shopping and sight-seeing.

According to her itinerary, the "Franconia" leaves at 6 p.m. to-morrow for Shanghai. It will be noted that invitations issued by Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son for visiting the ship can also be used to-morrow.

PORTS OF CALL.

Distances And Times In The Cruise.

Ports of call and distances in the cruise are as follows:—

Miles	Arrival	Departure
New York	Jan. 7	Jan. 7
Funchal	2,750 Jan. 15	Jan. 15
Monaco	1,371 Jan. 19	Jan. 20
Naples	360 Jan. 21	Jan. 21
Alexandria	1,001 Jan. 24	Jan. 25
Suez	2,952 Feb. 5	Feb. 13
Bombay	883 Feb. 10	Feb. 17
Colombo	1,567 Feb. 22	Feb. 22
Singapore	800 Feb. 25	Feb. 25
Hong Kong	1,458 Mar. 1	Mar. 2
Shanghai	619 Mar. 8	Mar. 9
Beppu	216 Mar. 10	Mar. 14
Kobe	348 Mar. 15	Mar. 20
Yokohama	1,756 Mar. 25	Mar. 25
Manila	1,532 Mar. 30	Mar. 31
Savina	6,032 Apr. 9	Apr. 19
Mauritius	1,551 Apr. 14	Apr. 21
Durban	391 Apr. 21	Apr. 21
Port Elizabeth	422 Apr. 23	Apr. 28
Cape Town	3,857 May 8	May 8
Montevideo	1,255 May 14	May 14
Buenos Aires	1,969 May 14	May 14
Santos	210 May 15	May 17
Rio de Janeiro	3,211 May 25	May 26
Maritigue	1,714 May 31	
New York		33,714

THOSE ON BOARD.

List of Passengers On The "Franconia."

Passengers on the "Franconia" are as follows:—
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Allen, Wilmington, Del.; Mr. N. F. Alton, New York City; Mrs. Annie E. Ames, Beverly Hills, Cal.; Mr. E. W. Andrews, Buffalo, N.Y.; Dr. and Mrs. Frank T. Andrews, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. G. R. Andrews, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. John R. Ash, Washington, D.C.; Dr. Charles H. Ashton, Franklin, Pa.; Dr. and Mrs. George G. Averill, Waterville, Me.

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\$400,000 MORTGAGE.

Appeal Case Continues To-day.

MR. POTTER'S ADDRESS.

Allegations Regarding Conduct Of Leung.

Serious allegations regarding the conduct and evidence of Leung, an interpreter, alias Walter Ford, were made in the course of this morning's hearing of the appeal by Loo Kwong-lam and Loo Kwong-hin against the judgment of Mr. Justice J. R. Wood in the course of which His Honour held that they had fraudulently misrepresented their age in becoming parties to a mortgage for \$400,000 in regard to which they had applied to be relieved of its terms.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., together with Mr. H. Sheldon, appears for appellants and Mr. F. C. Jenkin for the respondents, Li Kun-chun and Kan Tong-po.

The case arises out of the division of the estate of a deceased Chinese millionaire of Macao, one Loo Kau, among his sixteen sons. At the resumption of the case this morning, Mr. Potter argued on the meaning of the words "induced the defendants" to become parties to the mortgage "in regard to which Mr. Justice Wood had read a meaning regarding payment of money. Once the mortgagors completed the deed and signed it, claimed counsel, the property had passed from the plaintiffs to the defendants who were then the legal owners of it.

A Faulty Memory? Counsel referred to the evidence of the first defendant (Li Kun-chun) as to Sung, the interpreter, having said in his (defendant's) hearing and also in Lam's that Lam was of age. It was a remarkable thing, stated counsel, that there was no reference to this in the first particulars of their case supplied and that Li admitted in cross-examination that he had forgotten the incident when first asked to give particulars, having only remembered it a couple of weeks before the action came on for trial.

Counsel suggested that such an important point could hardly have escaped defendant's memory in the course of the numerous consultations which must have been held and suggested that it was the outcome of conversations with Leung, the interpreter, and other people. Counsel then referred to the evidence of the second defendant (Kan Tong-po) as to Li having asked Sung—pointing to the brothers—whether they were of age and as to Sung replying in the hearing of Lam that they were of age.

In this respect, it was interesting to turn to the evidence of Leung, stated counsel. According to Leung, Lam himself tapped his chest when this question was asked and stated "I am of age." This was the only version among all who were present as to Lam having spoken when this question was supposed to have been put. The only inference was, either that the two defendants, in whose interest it was to have heard such a remark, had not in fact heard it or on the other hand that it had not been made at all. Assuming that the remark had been made, it was evident that the two defendants had not heard it or else they would have deposed to it. If defendants had not heard it, it was obvious that Lam himself, as claimed for the plaintiffs, might also not have heard the original question which was alleged to have been put. Defendants could not have it both ways.

Did Plaintiffs Understand?

In any event, it would be counsel's submission that there was no evidence at all to show that Lam understood the legal meaning of the phrase "being of age" or that any attempt had been made to ascertain whether he did so understand it.

Referring to Mr. Justice Wood's comment, in the course of the appendix to his judgment in referring to Leung, counsel said that His Honour had commented that it was not material, in his opinion, to assess the credibility of the evidence on this point. Counsel, on the other hand, claimed that Leung was the one witness of all others whose credit should have been worked out and tested by His Honour in giving judgment. If he had perjured himself on this point, it meant not only that he was a perjured witness but also that he was a man who had accepted the other side's story.

CANTON VISITORS.

Official Programme Of Entertainment.

ARRIVAL TO-MORROW.

H.K. & Canton To Be Discussed At Conference.

The following is the programme of the official visit to the Colony of Marshal Li Chai-sum, who arrives to-morrow by the Nationalist gunboat "Feiyang."

On the arrival in port at 10 a.m. of the "Feiyang," the latter will fire a salute of twenty-one guns, which will be answered by an official salute from the battery. Marshal Li's flag will be saluted by the Navy—a salute of seven guns—and the distinguished visitor will also receive a salute from the saluting battery as he steps ashore at Queen's Pier. The official landing is timed for 10.15 a.m.

Marshal Li will be met by H.E. the Governor and a Guard of Honour will be present. He will then be motored to Government House and at 12.30 p.m. a tiffin will be given at Government House to which members of the Legislative Council and leading members of the Chinese community will be invited.

At 2.30 p.m., Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister to Peking, who is staying at Government House in the course of an official visit, will leave Queen's Pier for the s.s. "Franconia" on the occasion of his departure for the North. A Guard of Honour will be in attendance at Queen's Pier and Sir Miles will receive a salute as he crosses the harbour.

After Sir Miles has departed, H.E. the Governor, H.E. the Officer Commanding (Major General C. C. Lugard) and Marshal Li will motor round the island. At 3.15 p.m. a dinner will be given at Government House in honour of the whole of the Canton party and afterwards there will be reception to which the Heads of business firms and members of the Chinese community will be invited.

On Saturday, at 10 a.m., there will be a conference at Government House on Hong Kong and Canton matters. At 1 p.m. five Chinese hosts will entertain the party to lunch at the residence of the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall. This will be followed at 4 p.m. by a reception at the Chinese Merchants' Club, Sir Shou-sun Chow and the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall being the hosts. On Saturday evening a dinner will be given at 7 by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

Marshal Li departs for Canton on Sunday at 10 a.m. There will be a Guard of Honour at Queen's Pier and salutes will be fired.

No particulars are at present available of H.E. the Governor's official visit to Canton on the 9th inst.

\$16,000 as his share in the recovery of the property. Counsel submitted that Leung, with these facts found, was hardly one to communicate to the two plaintiffs at that stage anything which might hinder the settlement from going through.

Leung's Evidence.

Counsel commented that it rather appeared throughout His Honour's judgment that His Honour had a shrewd suspicion that in fact Leung did receive the five per cent. commission and that his explanation, as to having received the cheques traced to him in payment of a debt, was false.

With regard to His Honour's comment, counsel argued that, so far from being not material, if Leung had in fact received this commission, he had told a detailed and perjured story and his evidence was not to be relied upon. Counsel submitted that on the evidence it was obvious that Leung was not a true witness and that he had deliberately perjured himself by preparing the story deposed to. There was something more than the credit of a witness at stake in this respect. The whole point was, were the advisors of the plaintiffs at the time of their "infancy" such as to be likely to bring home to their minds that they were making statements which might be considered as false in regard to the meaning of the words "coming of age."

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RIVAL TO COAL.

INCREASED USE OF LIQUID
FUEL.

WORLD'S PRODUCTION.

Oil has become, in the course of

the last few years, a serious rival

of coal. Of the 149 million tons of

crude oil produced in 1926, about

70 million tons were converted into

fuel oil, equivalent to the calorific

power of roughly 120 million tons

of coal, i.e., about 10.1 per cent.

of the world's total output of coal

in 1926. The following figures of the

world's merchant tonnage will give

an idea of the evolution of those

branches of industry which are the

chief consumers of liquid fuel.

1/7/1914 1/7/1927

million million

gross tons gross tons

Steam driven

burning coal 44.1 40.8

oil 1.3 18.5

motor driven

(motor oil) 0.23 4.0

World's total number of automo-

biles:—Beginning of 1921—10,943,

000; Beginning of 1927—27,508,000.

The world's total production of

oil has increased in the period

1913-1926 by 190 per cent. from

52.7 million tons to 152.3 million

tons. Among the producers the

United States stand first with

69.5 per cent. of the world's total

production. The second place is

still held by Mexico though its pro-

duction has declined from about 29

million tons in 1921 to about 13.4

million tons, i.e., by more than 50

per cent., in 1926. This steady

decline in production is due more

to the disturbances in the economic

life of the country caused by politi-

cal currents than to an exhaustion

of the oil wells. Russia which

ranks third to-day, has in 1926,

approximately recovered its 1913

production. The very rapid pro-

gress in Venezuela's production is

quite remarkable. Persia's oil pro-

duction, too, shows a strong upward

tendency. The insignificant oil

production of Germany, like that of

France, does not play any part in

the world's supply.

Increased Consumption.

In view of the irrepressible in-

crease in the automobilisation and

motorisation of the world a further

steady increase in the consumption

of oil is to be anticipated. It is

characteristic that the United

States, though accounting for

roughly 70 per cent. of the world's

total production of oil, were no

longer able in the last two years,

to cover their own total demands

as to crude oil.

Only as a result of the discovery

of fresh, and particularly prolific,

oil wells in the United States, in

1927 a period of overproduction set

in, in consequence of which prices

have been falling off considerably

on the American oil market, as well

as on the world market, because the

United States account for two-

thirds of the world's oil output.

The world's total resources are,

no doubt, large, but, owing to in-

creasing production they are, com-

paratively speaking, declining

rather rapidly. The whole of

America possesses about 51 per

cent. of the world's total resources,

South America with 22 per cent.

COMMERCE
AND
FINANCE.

TRADE MATTERS.

IMPORT AND EXPORT
RESTRICTIONS.

NEW CONVENTION.

London, Yesterday.

Capt. D. H. Hacking, Under-

secretary of the Board of Trade,

said the convention for the aboli-

tion of import and export prohibi-

tion and restrictions recently signed

at Geneva had not yet been

ratified by any country.

A further conference was to be

held in the summer to examine

conditions as to coming into force

of a convention and it was not

possible to advise ratification be-

fore the results of that conference

were known. Since the convention

was signed there had been many

reservations handed in by other

powers and that was the reason

why they were convening a new

assembly which would probably be

held in June.—British Wireless

Service.

RUBBER POLICY.

VIEW OF CEYLON
GROWERS.

INQUIRY FROM HOME.

Colombo, Yesterday.

In response to an urgent request

from Mr. L. C. M. S. Amery,

Dominions' Secretary, asking their

views on the subject of restriction

the Ceylon Estate Proprietors As-

sociation met yesterday and, with

only one dissentient, passed a re-

solution that they considered the

existing scheme defective as not

embracing all the producers and

expressed the opinion that an ear-

nest endeavour should be made to

devise a really comprehensive

scheme.

A special sub-committee is now

drafting recommendations on the

basis of this resolution for trans-

mission to Mr. Amery.—Reuter.

Reduced cable rates to the

American continent are announced

by the Hong Kong offices of the

cable companies in an advertise-

ment on page 3.

The annual meeting of Green

Island Cement Co., Ltd., will be

held at 12 noon on March 21, in

the company's office, St. George's

Building.

The Australian wool clip for the

year which ended in June amounted

to 2,508,374 bales from about

100,000,000 sheep, and constituted

a record.

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lion dollars. It is followed by the

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A Quantity of MISCELLANEOUS GOODS comprising:— Iron Spikes, Straw Braid, Socks, Paper, Medicine, Iron Bars, China Ware, Tea Mats, etc. Terms:—Cash on Delivery. LAMMERT BROS. Auctioneers. Hong Kong, 28th Feb., 1923.

ON MONDAY, the 5th March, 1923, commencing at 2.45 p.m., at No. 169, The Peak (Mt. Kellett Road).

A Quantity of VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE. (Particulars from Catalogue.) On View from Sunday, the 4th March, 1923. Terms:—Cash on Delivery. LAMMERT BROS. Auctioneers. Hong Kong, Feb. 29, 1923.

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California 1.70
Colorado, Kansas, etc. 1.85
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Pennsylvania 2.05
New York City 2.05
Mexico 2.25
Central America 2.90

SOUTH AMERICA.
Argentina, Chile, Brazil 3.15
Peru 3.35
Telegrams via Atlantic to New York City (1st Zone) 2.05
District of Columbia 2.05
Delaware, etc. 2.05
Further Particulars on Application.

E. JESSEN, Superintendent. Hong Kong, 29th Feb., 1923.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

EXTRA RACE MEETINGS.

EXTRA RACE MEETINGS have

been fixed provisionally for

the following dates:—

17th March.

7th and 9th April.

26th and 28th May.

23rd June.

6th and 8th October.

10th November.

1st December.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

Hong Kong, Feb. 29, 1923.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

THE UNDERSIGNED, going

Home on leave, begs to in-

form that Mr. LESOS has been

appointed Local Agent of the

Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes

with effect from the 25th instant.

(Sgd.) J. LIMAGE, Agent.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that ANDREW HARPER &

SON have ceased to be the

authorised dealers of this Company

for Hong Kong and South China as

from the 26th day of January, 1923.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY.

Hong Kong 25th February, 1923.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that WALLACE HARPER &

CO., LTD., have been appointed

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Hong Kong 25th February, 1923.

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F. H. CRAPNELL, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 24th Feb., 1923.

NOTICES.

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Guns at usual times.

By Order,

J. R. L. STANTON,

Hon. Sec. Sailing Committee.

Hong Kong, March 1, 1923.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE 39th ORDINARY ANNUAL

MEETING OF SHAREHOLD-

ERS in the above COMPANY will

be held at the Offices of the Com-

pany, St. George's Building, Chater

Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on

WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of

March, 1923, at Noon for the pur-

pose of receiving a statement of

accounts and the report of the

Directors for the year ended 31st

December, 1922.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of

the Company will be CLOSED from

TUESDAY, the 13th March, 1923,

until WEDNESDAY, the 21st

March, 1923, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1923.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared

for the Year ending 31st

December, 1922, at the rate of

Three Pounds Sterling together

with a Bonus of Two Pounds

Sterling is payable on and after

the 27th February, 1923, at the Offices

of the Corporation where Share-

holders are requested to apply for

warrants.

By Order of the Court of

Directors,

A. C. HYNES, Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 25th Feb., 1923.

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the THIRTY-SECOND

ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING

of the Shareholders in the above

Company will be held at the Com-

pany's Town Office, 2, Lower Al-

bert Road, on SATURDAY, 10th

MARCH, 1923, at Noon, for the

purpose of receiving the Report of

the Directors together with State-

ment of Accounts for the year end-

ing December, 1922, declaring a

Dividend and re-electing Directors

and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the

Company will be CLOSED from the

1st to 10th MARCH, 1923, both

days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of

Directors,

M. MANUK, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 23rd February, 1923.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the THIRTY-NINTH

ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

will be held at the Company's

Offices, P. O. Building, on FRIDAY,

16th March, 1923, at 12 Noon, for

the purpose of presenting the Re-

port of the Directors together with

a Statement of Accounts to 31st

December, 1922, and electing Di-

rectors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the

Company will be CLOSED from

1st March, 1923, to 10th March,

1923, both days inclusive, during

which period no Transfer of

Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of

Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, 24th Feb., 1923.

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KASHIMA MARU Saturday, 24th March.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.

TANGO MARU Wednesday, 21st March.

AKI MARU Wednesday, 25th April.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.

* MURORAN MARU Friday, 2nd March.

SADO MARU Saturday, 10th March.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles,

Mexico & Panama.

ANYO MARU Thursday, 15th March.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.

HAKATA MARU Tuesday, 10th April.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

* TAKEOTOYO MARU Saturday, 10th March.

LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.

FLYONE MARU Saturday, 10th March.

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* YAMAGATA MARU Saturday, 3rd March.

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TO-DAY'S REPORT AND
DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S RETURN.

The arrival of vessels as recorded at the Harbour Office to-day (March 1) include some 18 vessels, of which there are 9 British vessels; 4 Chinese vessels; 1 French, Dutch, Italian, Norwegian and Chinese vessel.

The cargo imported to this port by the above vessels total 12,233 tons, of which amount the 9 British vessels shipped 4,609 tons.

12,890 tons are being shipped through Hong Kong for ports beyond, of which amount the 9 British vessels are carrying 7,555 tons.

Of these above figures, the best return for to-day, for cargo imported to this colony was registered by the s.s. "Chian Lee" (Chinese) from Bangkok—Messrs. Ching Kee—3,500 tons rice for Hong Kong.

The highest record for cargo being shipped to port beyond Hong Kong was contributed by the s.s. "Takliwa" (British) from Calcutta, Singapore—5,825 tons general cargo.

The passenger list for to-day is as follows:—32 European cabin passengers, 407 Asiatic cabin; 3,595 Asiatic deck. Total 4,034.

Departures.

For Swatow:—Menado Maru, Hai Ning.

For Manila:—Edmore.

For Macao:—Tak Hing.

For Shanghai:—Australian.

For Canton:—Escondido.

For Singapore:—Yuen Sang.

For Sandakan:—Hin Sang.

For Hoilow:—Taikwa Maru.

For Saigon:—Mao Lee, Chan Hing.

Clearances.

For Keelung:—Koyo Maru.

For Pakhoi:—Limchow.

For Moji:—Lagon Maru.

For Singapore:—Kawachi Maru, Van Heutsz.

For Autau:—Tak Hing.

For Amoy:—Klungchow.

For Whampoa:—Taisel Maru.

For Swatow:—Kwai Sang; Tean.

For Canton:—Tak Hing, Maud.

For K. C. Wan:—Wing Wo.

Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	In
British	9	5	28
Japanese	1	1	11
Norwegian	1	1	5
Chinese	4	2	18
Danish	0	1	0
Dutch	1	0	6
French	1	0	2
Panama	0	1	1
American	0	1	0
Italian	1	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	2
	18	12	74

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ALUMINIUM IN "COUNTY"
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Perhaps the features of the new County cruisers which have interested foreign observers most is the extraordinary extent to which aluminium is used wherever possible in order to save weight, and to give these ships some measure of protection, whereas the original French design was not able to provide any. The Germans started using aluminium during the war, and found that it was a very real saving in weight, with little or no disadvantage. We have already tried the system with our destroyers, as have also several other Navies, and in every case the experiment has been successful.

Fully Justified.

With the displacement of cruisers very strictly limited by the Washington Agreement to 10,000 tons, the saving of weight in these vessels is very important indeed, and aluminium has fully justified itself. It will be realised, of course, that all these fittings are internal, and that no effort is made to use this metal in any part of the hull. The French tried that with torpedo craft some 40 years ago, and found that the ship literally dissolved in no time, and was an absolute failure. For internal fittings it is different.

LESS THAN A MINUTE

DRAMATIC STORY OF SHIP'S
CAPSIZE.

A dramatic story of the capsizing of the Dutch steamer "Zeemeuwer" in less than a minute, is described in an Aneta message to the "Strait Times" from Batavia. Except for the stormy weather prevailing everything appeared to be normal when there was a strong gust of wind and a jerk and the vessel rolled over until her keel was above the water. The officers on deck, including the captain, were thrust beneath the surface, but found a log of wood and floated amidst heavy seas for an hour until they were rescued by the "Menten".

Wonderful Escapes.

Men on watch and the engine room staff had wonderful escapes, the stokers actually being washed away from the boilers by the inrush of water. The second engineer was lying awake in his berth, from which he was thrown to a standing position on the cabin wall. He kicked open the door and the sea rushed in, throwing him towards the chief engineer's cabin. The water soon reached his lips, but he managed to open a port hole, and saw the "Menten" leaving the scene. Luckily, the vessel returned and saved him after he had been in the water for about three hours.

DESERTION AT U. S.

ARE FOREIGN SEAFARERS
ENCOURAGED?

RIGHT TO DRAW ALL PAY.

It is only the rather extreme wing of the American Seamen's Union which is disappointed with the fact that the United States' authorities have recognised the folly of restricting immigration on the one hand and encouraging desertion from foreign ships in United States ports on the other. Owing to the scarcity of American seamen who would stay at sea for any appreciable time, desertion was formerly made as easy as possible, and there is still a very strong tendency in that direction with certain United States officials.

Two Months' Pay For One?

In this they are helped to an extraordinary degree by the clauses of the La Follette Seamen's Act, which, among other things, gives the foreign seaman the legal right to draw all the pay that is owing to him to date when he is in a United States port. This has served the purpose of deserters excellently, for it gives them enough to live on while they are looking about for a ship in which a sign on at the highest possible rates of pay, but the Seamen's Union has gone a little too far when it suggested that they should have the legal right to ignore all advances that they had drawn on their pay because that was prohibited to American seamen.

Bad Precedent.

If the United States courts had agreed with this contention and had given the men permission to draw their first month's money twice over, in anticipation of deserting, it would be difficult to find any seamen staying on in United States ports, but happily the United States courts have refused to take such a view, and, moreover, the authorities have passed some strong hints that they intend to check desertion in their country in the future. For one thing, both the United States Navy and Merchant Service find it very difficult to keep their seamen, and the example of foreign seamen being encouraged to desert is a very bad precedent to set before them.

DEATHS AT SEA.

The master of the s.s. "Takliwa" (British) reports to the Harbour Office that while on a voyage from Calcutta and Singapore to this colony, two deaths occurred among the Asiatic passengers from causes unknown.

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AMAZON MARU Friday, 9th March.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.

HAWAII MARU Saturday, 24th March.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

CELEBES MARU (Calls on Karachi) Monday, 5th March.

INDUS MARU (Calls at Penang) Tuesday, 20th March.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND

MOBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

PANAMA MARU Friday, 2nd March.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

TACOMA MARU Sunday, 25th March.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.

ALABAMA MARU (from Shanghai) Monday, 5th March.

HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 16th prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th prox. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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tributes and letters of condolence
in their recent sad bereavement.
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R. E. Hoare, Superintendent of the
Cosmopolitan Docks, for their kind
and valuable aid during the decen-
sation's illness.

Hong Kong, Thursday, March 1, 1928.

23 YEARS TO-DAY.

The regretted demise of Dr.
J. B. Addison at the comparative-
ly early age of fifty-three leaves
the Colony without a Principal
Civil Medical Officer. The position
is being filled at the present,
as it has been in the past, by Dr.
W. B. A. Moore, the senior officer
of the "regular" Medical Depart-
ment. The time is opportune, we
submit, to confirm Dr. Moore in
the post. This, we would point
out, is by no means a personal
sublimation. Our opinion is, and
always has been, that the "plum"
of Government service should go
to the best-qualified men. In the
matter of the senior medical
officership, however, there is in
the Colony a strong feeling that,
all other things being equal, it
should be filled by a member of
the profession who has worked
and lived among us, one who is
familiar with the difficulties
peculiar to Hong Kong, and not
to a person from another sphere
of activity, however sound his
credentials and whatever he may
have done in some other centre.

Dr. Moore happens to be the
senior of a long and distinguished
line of medical officers who have
served the Colony efficiently and
faithfully. He arrived in Hong
Kong exactly twenty-three years
ago to-day and was appointed an
assistant medical officer of health.
He has acted as medical officer of
Victoria Gaol, of the infectious
diseases hospitals, the public
mortuary; as superintendent of
the Civil Hospital and Lunatic
Asylums; medical officer of Kow-
loon and the New Territories;
medical officer in charge of the
Victoria Hospital, and as
P.C.M.O. in addition to his ordi-
nary duties. Except for a period
of two years and four months
during which he was engaged on
Military Service and the ordinary
absences on leave, Dr. Moore has
spent twenty-three years of his
life in the interests of the Colony,
and, as all who know him will
testify, has spent them to the
best advantage of professional
duty. Moreover, he is young
as senior medical officers go—he is
not yet fifty—and has, God
willing, many years of
sterling endeavour before him.

The local Government, no
doubt, have good and sufficient
reasons for giving this post of
P.C.M.O. to an outsider. There
are also, as we have indicated,
good and sufficient reasons why
it should fall to a man on the spot,
particularly when that individual
has proved his worthiness to fill
it. The main consideration is—
or should be—the welfare of the
Colony, and in this connection we
fail to understand how a doctor
from Ceylon, or Mauritius, or
some other Colonial possession,
however adequate his qualifica-
tions and record of service, can
perform the job as satisfactorily
as a medical officer of proved com-
petence who has been among us
for nearly a quarter of a century.

In the past we have seen really
brilliant members of the medical
profession in our midst who have
attained all the Colonial service
has to offer them and have then
departed or gone into private
practice. We have a crowning
example in the Colony to-day, a
surgeon whose skill is known
throughout the Far East. He
rose to the position of "Novem-
ber Two" in the local medical ser-
vice, which was as far as he could
get, and then his activities were
directed into another channel.
Now is the time, we submit, to
ask ourselves whether the prac-
tice of wilfully throwing away
really excellent medical should
continue. Is it in the interests of

COMDR. HARTFORD.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR'S HIGH
APPRECIATION.

"THIS DELICATE PROBLEM."

Comdr. G. B. Hartford, D.S.O.,
R.N. (retired), received the follow-
ing letter on Feb. 24, before leav-
ing Hong Kong, from the Hon. Mr.
E. R. Hallifax (Colonial Secre-
tary):—

Sir,—I am directed by His Ex-
cellency the Governor to express
to you, on the occasion of your
resignation from the office of De-
puty Superintendent of Police (Re-
serve) his high appreciation of the
services which you have rendered
to the Police Force and especially
to the Police Reserve.

His Excellency regards the num-
bers and the efficient state of the
Police Reserve as a proof of the
success with which you have han-
dled this delicate problem. His
Excellency also considers your
voluntary assumption of these ar-
duous duties to be a splendid ex-
ample of public spirit and zeal.

Thank All Ranks.

On Feb. 3, Commander Hartford
sent the following to the Hon.
the Captain Superintendent of
Police:—

Sir,—It is with very much re-
gret that I find I am compelled,
owing to private affairs, to tender
my resignation from the Police Re-
serve to date February 10th, 1928.

I should like to take this oppor-
tunity of recording my sincere
thanks to you and to all ranks of
the Hong Kong Police with whom
I have come in contact for their
sympathy and help in all my work
in connection with the Police Re-
serve.

DANCING DISPLAY.

MISS V. CAPELL'S PUPILS
AT THE "STAR."

DESERVED APPLAUSE.

The audience at the "Star"
Theatre, Kowloon, last evening,
had a rare treat, there being a
large number present for the final
dancing display of Miss Violet
Capell's clever pupils.

There were many outstanding
items in a copious and daintily
arranged programme. The whole
performance was characterised by
a charming idea and much studied
preparation.

The item by the "Chicks" de-
lighted the audience. Many of the
unrehearsed items being intensely
entertaining.

The waltz duet by the Misses
Rachel Wong and Helen Ho pre-
pared the audience for many good
things. These young ladies were
warmly applauded.

The trio of very juvenile mem-
bers in "Two Strings to His Bow"
was a tribute to the work of the
teachers and this item was very
popular.

The tit-bits of the evening, how-
ever, were a wonderfully clever
rendering of "Pavlova's" "Dying
Swan" by Miss Helen Ho, who is
a dainty and graceful dancer with
a future; the "Jester" solo by
little Miss Jean Stewart, raptur-
ously received and most empha-
tically encored. She showed a
delightful freedom and abandon
for one so young. A very clever
solo doll dance by Miss Mavis
Glendinning and an extra by the
same young lady in a Scottish
sword dance with bagpipe accom-
paniment were well rendered and
received very enthusiastically. An
extremely clever and dainty dance
was given by Miss Rachel Wong
who displayed dancing technique
of a high order.

The various ensembles by the
troupe were skilfully rendered, the
Flower Ballet being a very pretty
item and a most effective finale.
Little Miss Kathleen Whelan
was deservedly applauded for a
very effective rendering of a Rus-
sian dance, and mention must be
made of the effective duet by the
Misses Violet and Phyllis Capell,
the artistic effects of this dance
being most striking.

The scene at the close of the
programme, when all the perform-
ers wore presented with beautiful
bouquets and other gifts dear to
the heart of juveniles, was a
memorable one and the promoters
were entitled to the applause with
which the whole of an extremely
clever performance was greeted.

CAR RUNS OFF ROAD.

A slight motor accident was
reported to the Police to the effect
that at about 2.30 p.m. yesterday
Miss G. Gale, of 58, Hollywood
Road, with a Chinese servant girl
as passenger in her car, ran off
the "Tape Road" near Man-Chung
Street into a paddy field. The car
was overturned but the occupants
were none the worse for the ex-
perience, only receiving a severe

YUNNAN SNOW.

FALL OF SIX INCHES IN
ONE NIGHT.

HEAVIEST FOR YEARS.

Yunnanfu, Feb. 18.

After an unusually mild win-
ter and ten days after the begin-
ning of spring, Yunnan has been
visited by a very severe snow-
storm such as has not been
experienced for years.

It started with hail and rain
on Feb. 17, turned to snow in
the evening, and must have
snowed most of the night, for in
the morning there were six inches
of snow on the ground.

Communications must be very
difficult in the country outside
the city, but in the capital itself,
things are somewhat better, as
each person or family removes
a little of the snow in front of his
premises; and as we have good
stone roads in most parts of the
city the water is able to drain
away very quickly.

Burglars Executed.

We have been longing for
rain, but snow did not come into
our calculations and those of us
who are fond of gardening had
already sown our seeds for the
spring, and many young plants
were coming on nicely. We are
hoping for some sunshine now to
melt the snow, so that it may
soak into the thirsty ground, and
give the plants a chance to re-
cover.

Last week we had an epidemic
of burglaries in the city, and
nine men were caught and shot.
—Our own correspondent.

SPECIAL JURORS.

53 APPOINTED FOR THE
COLONY.

LIST OF THE NAMES.

There are 53 names in the
list of Hong Kong special jurors
for 1928. The names are as
follow:—

J. M. Alves, John Arnold, T.

Arthur;

B. D. F. Beith, W. H. Bell,

J. W. C. Bonnar, J. P. Bragg,

T. H. G. Brayfield, N. S. Brown;

Allan Cameron, A. H. Com-
pton, A. G. Coppin;

A. W. Davidson, W. A.

Dowley, R. M. Dyer;

A. H. Ferguson, John Fleming;

W. G. Goggin, K. W. Greig, G.

Grimble, A. S. Gubbay;

F. C. Hall, H. R. Hancock, Ho

Kom-tong, Henry Humphreys;

J. E. Joseph;

Kan Tong-po;

H. A. Lammert, P. Lauder,

Lay Kam-fat, C. Little, W.

Logan;

C. G. S. Mackie, F. R. Marsh,

G. Miskin;

P. W. Parker, W. L. Patten-

den, T. E. Pearce, F. A. Perry,

J. A. Plummer, Pui Tso-yi (Tsu-
yi Pei);

J. M. da Rocha, R. Rodgers,

D. O. Russell;

J. H. Seth, J. O. Sheppard,

A. F. B. Silva-Netto, R. Suther-

land;

J. H. Taggart, D. Templeton,

P. Tester;

Wong Kam-fuk, Wong Kwong-
tin.

DISCHARGED.

OPIUM IN COAL
HOLE.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at
the Central Magistracy yesterday
afternoon, the two Chinese ar-
rested in a charcoal godown at
No. 237, Hollywood Road as the
result of the discovery of a quan-
tity of illicit opium hidden
amongst the coal in the premises,
were charged with the unlawful
possession of 89 tael tins of the
drug, valued at \$900.

One of the defendants was stat-
ed to be the proprietor of a coal
shop, whilst the other was a cargo
coolie. After evidence had been
heard, the Magistrate decided
that there was no guilty knowl-
edge on the part of either defen-
dant, and they were discharged.

HIT WITH A CHOPPER.

A Sanitary coolie named Wong
Chik, was removed to the Tung Wah
Hospital yesterday suffering from
injuries to the head inflicted by an
ex-Sanitary coolie with a chopper,
while he was engaged in chopping
wood at Kowloon City. The ex-
Sanitary coolie has since disap-
peared.

DAIRY FARM DIVIDEND.

The 82nd ordinary yearly meet-
ing of the Dairy Farm, Ice and
Cold Storage Co., Ltd., will be held
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March 10, at noon. A dividend of
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CABLE RATES.

Particulars of reductions in the
rates of cables from Hong Kong
to Canada, United States, Mexico,
Central and South America, etc.,
via the Pacific, will be found in

P'RAPS-P'RAPSNOT!

Poultry Note.—Clerk: Me—get
married? Why it's all I can do
to feed my canary.
Chief Clerk: That's the
trouble: you have too many can-
aries. You'd better get rid of your
flock and get yourself one good old
hen.

An Old Hand.—She—Tell me,
have you ever loved another?
He—Why, yes, of course, dear.
Do you think that I'd practice on
a nice girl like you?

Strange Expression.—"Why that
strange expression on your face, old
man?"
"Oh, I was just thinking."

Enjoyable.—Hostess (to gloomy
youth)—I hope you enjoyed your
game with Major Swift. He's
awfully clever at cards.

Youth—I should think he is! He
started by telling my fortune, and
now he's counting it.

As She Is Spoke.—Two little girls
were playing "house."
"I'll be father," one of them
said, "and will come in and ask if
dinner is ready."

"All right, go ahead."

"Is dinner ready, dear heart?"
she asked.

"Fathers don't say that," said
the other one in disgust. "They
say, 'Why in—!sn't dinner
ready?'"

His Fear!—Blackstone.—That's a
wonderful little daughter you have,
old man. Do you realise she's a
faithful likeness of your wife?

Webster.—Yes; and the way she's
beginning to ask questions, I'm
afraid she'll soon develop into a
"speaking" likeness!

Warder: The prisoner wishes to
be employed at his own work, sir.
Prison Governor: "Quite right,
but what is his work?"
Warder: "He's a flying man."

When dad got home at 1 o'clock,
He had no key, by heck.
So father rang the doorbell, and
His wife then wrung his neck.

Friend (at a French play): Why
did you applaud so vigorously when
that comedian made his speech be-
fore the curtain?

Spriggins (confidentially): So
that folks would think I understood
French. What did he say?

Friend: He said that the re-
mainder of his part would be taken
by an understudy.

Judge Claer, at Shoreditch, to a
man: Your wife consents to this
order; do you? Man (hurriedly):
Oh, certainly if she does.

The orchestra were rehearsing
the music for a pantomime. The
flautist, betraying little knowledge
of his instrument, was responsible
for some appalling discords.

At length the conductor stopped
the rehearsal, and, fixing the culprit
with a bleak eye, demanded:—

"Mr. Smith, can you play any
thing in addition to the goat?"

"Why are you late this morning?"

demanded the master.

"P-please, sir," stammered the
boy, "I went fishing for bandie-
snitches."

"Bandsnitches?" exclaimed the
master. "What's a bandsnitch?"

"I don't know, sir: I didn't
catch one."

Anxious to give his wife a pre-
sent, a man went into a big store
and explained his wants to an
assistant.

"Well, now, sir," said that in-
dividual, persuasively, "would you
be interested in something in silk
stockings?"

The customer coughed behind his
hand.

"Well—er—let's get this matter
of a present for the wife disposed
of first, shall we?"

No Bones For Him!—Host (to
small boy)—Which part of the
turkey do you prefer, Bobby?

Bobby (passing his plate timid-
ly)—I like the meat.

Spendthrift.—Isaac and his son
were in a picture palace.

"Father," cried little Abe, "I'm
so hot. Will you buy me a drink
of lemonade?"

"No, my boy," said Isaac; "wait
until the intermission."

The boy was not satisfied and
soon repeated his request for a
cooling drink.

"No," said Isaac again, "wait
until the intermission and I'll tell
you a ghost story that will make
you go cold all over."

Police Tactics.—A Scot who had
applied for a position as patrolman
on the London police force was
being questioned at Scotland Yard.

"Suppose, Macfarland," asked the
officer, "you saw a crowd congreg-
ated at a certain point on your
beat, how would you dispose it
quickly and with the least trouble?"

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HONG KONG.

Facts About The Colony.

Hong Kong is an island about 10 miles long and from 2 to 6 1/2 miles broad, with a total area of 32 square miles; it lies close to the mainland, being separated at one point by a narrow strait (Lycemoon) not more than a quarter-mile wide, and was first occupied by Great Britain in January, 1841, and was formally ceded by the Treaty of Nanking in 1842; British Kowloon was subsequently acquired by the Peking Convention of 1860; and the New Territories, being a peninsula in the southern part of the Kwangtung province, by a lease signed June 9, 1898. The whole colony comprises an area of about 891 square miles, with a population (1921) of 662,200 (1926, est. 874,420). The non-Chinese residents, excluding naval and military, numbered about 15,200 (1926, est. 16,500).

A Free Port.

The capital of the colony is Victoria, which lies along the northern shore of the island, facing the mainland; and between the mainland and the city is the harbour which is one of the finest in the world, with a water area of some 10 square miles. With the exception of liquor and tobacco the port is free, and is fortified. It possesses excellent locks, capable of holding the largest vessels for the purposes of repair. There is a considerable ship repairing and construction industry. Shipping entered (1923) 26,701,120 tons. A railway, of which 23 miles belong to the Government, runs from Kowloon to Canton; the length north of the Sham Chun River (which is the boundary of the British territory) is controlled by the Chinese

Government. A light railway runs through the fertile valleys of the north-east portion of the New Territories from Fanling to Sha-tau-kok, a distance of 7 miles. Good roads connect the principal districts with the railway.

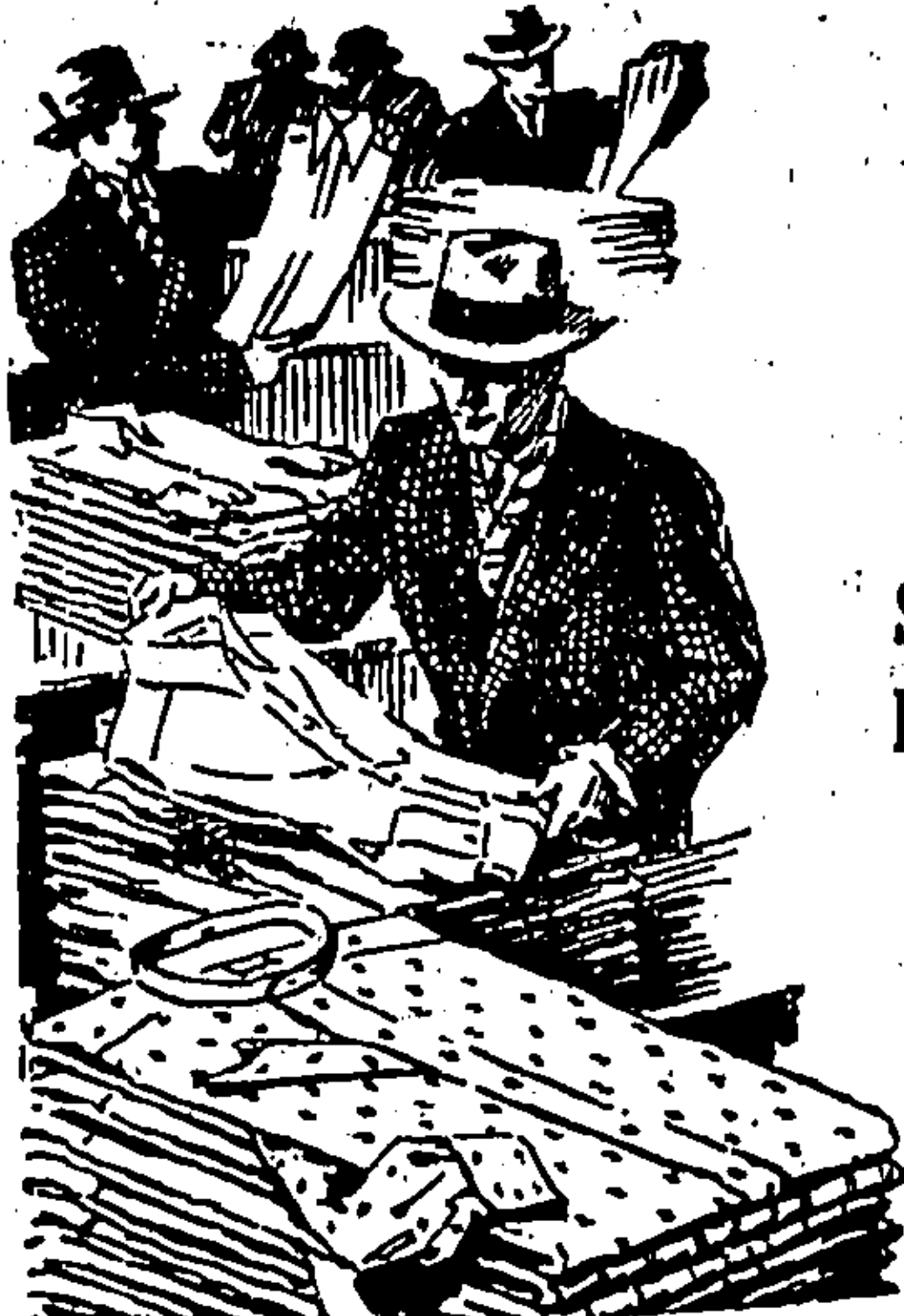
Climate.

The island is broken in shape and mountainous, the highest point being Victoria Peak, which is about 1,820 feet high. The Peak District is a favourite place of residence, and is reserved for Europeans. The new Territories contain peaks from 1,800 to 3,000 feet. The hot season lasts from May to October. During the winter months, from November to March, the climate is cooler, drier, and more invigorating. The average daily maximum temperature ranges from 87 degrees in July to 63 degrees in February, and the average daily minimum temperature from 78 degrees in July to 55 degrees in February. The average annual rainfall is 84 in., of which no less than 75 per cent. falls between May and September, when the S.W. monsoon prevails.

Vast Trade.

Hong Kong is the centre of a vast trade in many kinds of produce, chiefly camphor, coal, cottons, flour, gunnies, hides, iron and steel goods, leather, matches, oils, rice, silks, sugar, tea and tin. Much encouragement is given by the Government to education in the colony. In 1924 there were 1,079 schools subject to Government supervision, attended by 68,930 pupils. The University (opened in 1912) includes faculties of medicine, engineering, and arts. Hong Kong is a Crown colony, and its government is administered by a Governor, aided by an Executive Council of 9 members, together with a Legislative Council of 14 members, including himself, a representative from the Chamber of Commerce, and a representative of the Justice of the Peace.

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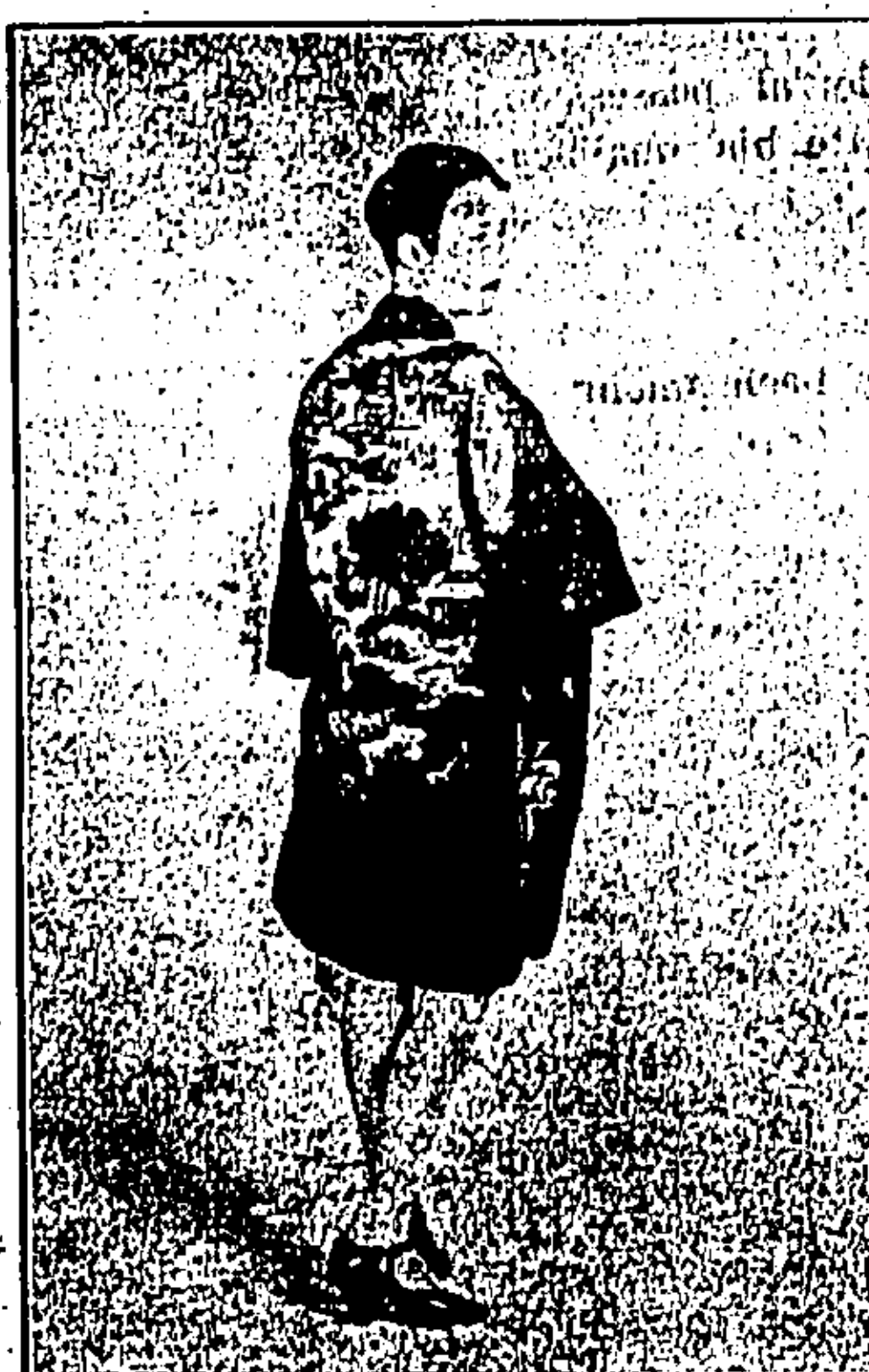
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IN AND AROUND HONG KONG.

WHAT TO SEE AND HOW TO SEE IT.

TABLOID INFORMATION TO HELP THE TOURIST.

"Glorious Hong Kong." This apt description was used by the Bishop of London in bidding farewell to the Colony recently. And as he was more a missionary than a tourist in the ordinarily accepted sense of the word his impression of Hong Kong must be taken as it stands without any idea of comparison with other places in the itinerary of the pleasure-seeking globe trotter. But "glorious Hong Kong" can never mean anything to the visitor by liner who comes ashore merely to "stretch his legs" and to "see what there is to see" without any preconceived notions of arranging a systematic programme within the limited time at his disposal.

"Call at Cook's?" Yes; that may sound like a way out. And if not Cook's then at the Hong Kong Hotel's Tourist Bureau, or the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's agency or the American Express Company. But—and there is always a "but" for the tourist in a strange land—great as is the work that these concerns do on behalf of the tourist, if each and every individual on a liner containing hundreds of passengers all resolved on the same course of action on landing in Hong Kong they would assuredly crowd out the enquiry offices of the aforementioned concerns. True, these prepare for tourist liners and arrange schedules of tours and time tables—some dividing the visitors into several personally conducted parties—but why should that information not be at the disposal of the tourist beforehand? That is the intention of the present "Tourist Supplement" to the "China Mail."

A Word About Hong Kong. Of books and other literature on Hong Kong there is a plethora. Even to attempt to condense that information here might be wearisome to some, although welcome to others. There must be a happy mean. Statistics need not necessarily be dry-as-dust. Much depends on the manner of their presentation and their ability to grip the interest of the reader.

Every school boy knows that Hong Kong is a British Colony lying off the south-east coast of China at the estuary of the Chu-kiang River (commonly called the Canton River). The Colony is not confined to the island; it includes a small portion of the mainland on the Peninsula of Kowloon and the New Territories. The capital of the Colony is called Victoria, and the extreme length of the island is eleven miles and the breadth two to five miles. There is a British Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) with a Legislative Council. The Colony is also the headquarters of the South China Command, British Army, and a naval station.

The Peak By Night. From the deck of the steamer the city of Victoria is overshadowed by a range of hills, called Victoria Peak, on which at night scintillate hundreds of electric lights, resembling a glimpse of fairyland. It is a sight that is never forgotten—a sight that can always enchant the oldest resident as well as the newcomer. The island is separated from the mainland by a narrow strait, which makes an excellent harbour the approaches to which from the ocean are dotted with green-capped islets that rival in beauty even the great harbour of Sydney. And great that beauty is eclipsed by the scenery on the island itself and on the mainland.

The possibilities of sight-seeing on the part of the visitor are always, of course, circumscribed by the brevity of his stay in the port. With only a day at one's disposal the most must be made of the time so as to take in even in a fleeting manner as much as possible of the local sights. When a stay of two or even three days is made, then, naturally the visitor can pick and choose what he would like to see and to omit that which may not particularly appeal to him. As one man's meat may be another man's poison, so one type of scenery or one place of interest may draw a crowd, and still leave others cold and impressionless. But no tourist can afford to leave out the ascent of the Peak, undertaking the journey by motor car to the Peak Hotel, thence by sedan chair to the Signal Station and returning by chair to the hotel and making the descent by tram car.

Three Tours. Many suitable trips on the island and in the New Territories could be suggested to the tourist here for a day or so. The following three are all easily accessible and have been drawn up so as to give the visitor a fair indication of the beauties of the Colony. No doubt Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son the agents of the a.s. "Francia" tour will use the following:—

Tour 1. The party should start at about 11.45 a.m. by motor car from the centre of the town and proceed past the Lower Tram Station to Government House, the Dairy Farm, and Upper Road to Repulse Bay.

Tiffin at Repulse Bay Hotel, about noon.

Leaving Repulse Bay at 2 p.m. and proceeding round the Island via Quarry Bay and Happy Valley arriving back in town about 2.45 p.m. Distance covered about thirty miles.

Tour 2. Commencing from centre of town, via Lower Peak Tram Station and as above to Repulse Bay, thence the Peak Hotel via Stubbs Road, finishing with auto at the Peak Hotel.

Small car (Four seater):—\$7 Stop over.

Large car (Six seater):—\$10.50 extra.

From the Peak Hotel the ascent by chair to the Flag Staff should not be missed. Descent to the City may be made by the Peak Tramway. Chair and Tram fares are not included in the above fares.

Tour 3. Distance sixty miles; Time 3½ hours. Commencing at Kowloon Ferry via Castle Peak, Fanling Golf Course, Tai Po and Shatin, finishing at Kowloon Ferry.

Round the Island. What has been well described as one of the most magnificent drives in the world is that by motor car round the Island. The route followed is from Queen's Road Central, thence into Garden Road, past Government House and the Botanic Gardens, along Caine Road, Bonham Road, past the University of Hong Kong, along Pokfulam Road, Aberdeen Road, and Repulse Bay, where a stop can be had for refreshments or the more enjoyable tiffin. Leaving Repulse Bay Hotel the journey is proceeded with to Stanley Bay, Tiantuk Reservoir, and Sai Wan Gap and thence to Shauiwan. Within a short time Tai Koo Dock is reached, and from there it is a very short drive back to the original point of departure.

The entire drive covers a distance of 26 miles, but the scenery en route cannot adequately be described in mere prose. It has to be seen to be appreciated as it deserves. Next to the ascent and descent of the Peak it is a trip that no tourist should omit from his programme of sight-seeing.

Other Places of Interest. Apart from motor launches that take the visitor to Stonecutters Island and numerous inlets, abound in most beautiful scenery, there is much to entertain, amuse and instruct without resort to vehicles. The Chinese curios shops and Indian stores cannot well be passed over. A souvenir of their visit to this enchanted isle. There is "China Town" teeming with thousands of Chinese living in narrow streets where one can almost stretch hands across the "thoroughfare," and where glimpses may be had of typical Chinese life in all its varied phases.

A good combination is a bus or motor car drive to Aberdeen (already referred to) and a tour through the Chinese fishing village. If time permits there is also a quaint little hamlet, Ap Lei Chau, which can be reached in a few minutes by sampan. The return journey from Aberdeen can be made by launch, in which case the scenery fringing the harbour and the approaches to the spell through the Chinese quarters of Aberdeen and Ap Lei Chau.

For the individual who cares not for the joys of motoring a casual walk through the heart of the city will reveal much of interest in the way of public buildings and statues, including—although some way out—the University of Hong Kong. There are taxicabs and jinrikishas, not to mention sedan chairs, but in the case of the two latter the legal fare should always be ascertained beforehand as otherwise the "stranger within the gates" may find himself the victim of profiteering.

Chair and Jinrikisha Fares. For chairs the tariff is—two bearers—15 cents for the first ten minutes; 20 cents for a quarter of an hour; 30 cents for half an hour; and 25 cents for every subsequent hour. For four bearers the fares are exactly double, with the exception that every subsequent hour after the first is charged 40 cents. Jinrikisha charges are: 10 cents for 10 minutes; 20 cents for a quarter of an hour; 30 cents for half an hour; and 40 cents for an hour.

Kowloon and New Territories. A reference to Kowloon has already been made in the third of the suggested tours—namely, to Castle Peak, Fanling, Tai Po, and Shatin.

A good afternoon's outing can be spent at Kowloon City, omnibuses to which run from the Star Ferry at Kowloon Point (10 cents fare from Hong Kong to Kowloon). En route a glimpse is afforded of the whole of the Kowloon Bay, with Lyceum Pass in the distance. Eventually the granite wall of the old city of Kowloon will be reached, containing the old-time residence of the official representative of the Emperor of China. There is also a School for the Blind, where dainty articles may be purchased.

Returning by a bus marked "Yaumatei" the tourist can alight in Jordan Road and spend an enjoyable time in King's Park, where are laid out football, tennis, and bowls grounds for various Clubs and institutions.

As an alternative a visit may be commended to Kowloon Tong, which lies off the main bus and motor road in Kowloon, namely, Nathan Road. This is destined to be a model settlement and garden city combined, and the self-contained houses, each with a strip of garden, are a distinct change from the row upon row of flats which the vehicles pass in Nathan and other roads in Kowloon.

Lovers of lawn bowls are well catered for. Besides the rinks of the Club de Recreio at King's Park there are bowling greens at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, in Austin Road (off Nathan Road), the Kowloon Cricket Club, and the Kowloon Club. Tennis can be had at many Club courts at King's Park, at the United Services Club (opposite King's Park), the Kowloon Cricket Club, and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club. Football is played at King's Park and on the ground of the Kowloon Football Club, facing the harbour, at Chatham Road. Cricket is provided at King's Park and at the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Sport in Hong Kong. On the island there is no end to the variety of outdoor sport to be indulged in or watched, the principal ground being at Happy Valley, which can be reached in a very short time by tramcar, taxi-cab, or motor car, not to mention the slower jinrikisha if time is no object. There is a fine Racecourse, where races are held at various periods from the middle of February to the beginning of December.

Of other sports to be had at Happy Valley, there are football ("soccer" and Rugby codes), cricket, baseball, and tennis. The "home" of local cricket is the Hong Kong Cricket Club opposite Murray Barracks in Queen's Road. It is on this ground that interport matches are played, teams coming once in two years from Shanghai and less frequently from Malaya.

Where to Dine or Stay. For the tourist cooped up at sea for days on end there are many facilities for lunch (or tiffin) and dinner, including the Hong Kong Hotel and the Café Regent in Pedder Street; Lane Crawford's Restaurant, in Des Vœux Road (along which the tramcars run); the King Edward Hotel, the Savoy Hotel, and the Alexandra Restaurant in Ice House Street (directly opposite the Star Ferry wharf); also the Kowloon Hotel in Kowloon (a few minutes' drive from the Ferry in a jinrikisha).

In Des Vœux Road and other streets there are many Chinese restaurants for those who like to sample Chinese dishes.

Miscellaneous Information. The Radio Telegraph Office (above the Post Office in Pedder Street) is open day and night for the transmission and reception of radio messages and for reporting vessels entering the harbour. The charge to most vessels is 30 cents per word with a minimum charge of \$3.

There are branches of the Eastern Extension, Telegraph Company and the Northern Telegraph Company in Connaught Road (facing the water front and just beyond the Hong Kong Club). These are open day and night for the transmission of cablegrams to any part of the world.

Cable rates are: To Europe via Suez \$1.50 per word; to America, \$1.75 to \$3.30; to Canada, \$1.25 to \$2.20; and to Australia, \$1.25. The postage rates are: Four cents per word to British territories and China; 10 cents per word to America and other foreign countries.

Travellers' cheques can be cashed and payments made on letters of credit issued by other bankers, by Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, the C.P.R., and the American Express Co.

The principal exchange banks are: The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, the Mercantile Bank of India, the Banque de l'Indo-Chine, and the City National Bank of New York (International Banking Corporation)—all situated in Queen's Road Central.

For other useful information concerning Hong Kong the tourist may be recommended to purchase a copy of the "Dollar Directory" published at 8a, Wyndham Street.

CANTON.

The commercial capital and most interesting city of South China, is in direct communication with Hong Kong by steamer and railway. There are daily (Sundays excepted) services of steamers both directions. The journey is about 6½ to 8 hours by steamer, according to steamer and tide, and 4½ hours by train.

On arrival in Canton clients of Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son, are met by an experienced and competent guide who has conducted the principal visitors through this fas-

ANCIENT CHINESE CURRENCY.

Demand Drafts Nearly 2,000 Years Ago!

"FLYING MONEY" OF TANG DYNASTY.

Lecturing at the Rotary Club at the Astor House Hotel recently, Rotarian Mr. K. P. Hu of the Peking-Mukden Railway gave a most interesting address on Chinese Coins and Currency. He supplemented his remarks with several valuable specimens of ancient coins, and photographic remnants of old currency notes. Among the latter was an imprint of an old draft, bearing a chop signifying that it was payable on demand at Chengtu, Nanking, and one other city, and carrying a warning that fraudulent imitation of these drafts rendered the guilty party liable to capital punishment, and offering a reward of 300 "Kwan" to those giving information of such forgery. Mr. Hu also exhibited a form of currency made of metal of the size and shape of an old-fashioned key, but minus teeth. This, he said, was used as a draft as early as the days of Christ. This implement was engraved with a number of characters, some of them in gold, in order to prevent imitation. The draft was bought in one city and payment was returned on presentation in another city. The manufacture of this currency was very complicated and ordinary persons could not do it.

Sign For Profit. Mr. Hu said that in the ancient days China was essentially an agricultural country, consequently the principal assets of the people were farming implements. In the process of bartering, implements such as shovels, spades, etc., formed the principal medium of exchange. "Tsan Pi," or shovel currency, was therefore the earliest type of currency known, the coin being in the shape of a shovel. This was followed by "Dan Pi," or knife currency, the coin being in the shape of a knife, another of the most commonly used implements for

cinating City for many years. The tour usually embraces Chun-ka-shi Ancestral Temples, Temples of the 500 Genii, City of the Dead, King's Palace, the Jade, Jade, Flowering Pagoda, Jade Stone Street, Old Embroidery Shops and Sai Hing Street, etc.

For the guidance of those whose time is limited, the following itinerary is given.

One Whole Day in Canton. Leave Hong Kong 2 a.m. Arrive Canton 9 to 10 a.m. Leave Canton 3.30 p.m. Arrive Hong Kong (about) 10.30 to 11.30 p.m.

The fare provides first class travel tickets, breakfast, lunch and dinner, service of competent private guide for sight-seeing by sedan chair to City of the Dead, Flowering Pagoda, Ancestral Temple, etc.

For full information, reservations and tickets apply to Cook's Hong Kong Office.

Inclusive Charges:— For one person \$31.00 For each of party of 2 27.60 " " " 3 26.50 " " " 4 26.00 " " " 5 25.50 " " " 6 25.20

Rates for larger parties are regulated by the number of participants and will be furnished on application.

The above rates provide for three coolies per chair. Should four coolies be considered necessary by the Guide in charge, the cost of the additional coolie is payable to him direct.

Tours of longer duration and including passage by 8 a.m. steamer may be arranged. Fares on application.

MACAO.

A Portuguese Colony and the pioneer settlement of the Far East, being founded in 1557. It is a picturesque spot at the mouth of the Canon River, with the ruins of the San Paulo, Camoes' Gardens and Grotto, and Fan-tan Gambling Saloons.

Steamers leave Hong Kong on week days at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. and Macao at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. Passage 4 hours. Single Journey \$4; return \$7.

There is also a special excursion to Macao every Sunday leaving Hong Kong at 9 a.m., returning at 3.30 p.m., return fare \$5; week-end excursion, return fare \$5.00.

HONG KONG HEIGHTS.

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the island and Mainland is published:—

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1823
Signal Station	1774
St. Mark's	1774
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1805
Tai Koo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Aberdeen)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Taimoshan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

harvesting grain and for general use. One end of the coin was a round ended handle with a hole in the centre to facilitate tying together and the other end a knife blade. This explains why the Chinese character "Li" standing for profit is composed of two characters knife and a grain, and also has the meaning of sharpness. As time went on, the coin took the form of the round end with the handle omitting the blade. This evolved into the round coin with a square hole, which form has been in use up to the present day. This has been called "Chuan Pi," or spring currency, signifying the resemblance between the currency and the spring water which is supposed to flow continuously without interruption.

As business grew and travelling became more frequent the demand for the medium of exchange increased. Carrying of coins became clumsy and inconvenient, and some substitute had to be sought.

Paper Notes.

It was said in one of the Confucian Classics that as early as the first part of the Chow Dynasty, about 1000 B.C., a kind of currency note consisting of a piece of cloth two inches wide by two feet long, chopped with a Government Seal, was used. Probably this was the earliest form of currency note ever used in China.

But the actual use of the paper note started from "Fei Chuan," or "flying money" of the Tang Dynasty and "chiao-tse" of the Sung Dynasty, no sample of which can, however, at present be found.

During the Sung Dynasty notes were extensively printed with no adequate reserve for the issuance. Paper notes were found everywhere, for buying daily necessities, paying taxes, and defraying public expenses, in fact, for all sorts of purposes until the value of notes dropped to about one per cent. The ill effect of the notes, however, did not become serious as the denomination was limited to the "Kwan" or one thousand cash only.

During the Chin Dynasty, about the beginning of the thirteenth century notes with denominations such as one hundred, four hundred, one thousand "Kwan," or one million cash, were issued. Ten years later the value of the notes dropped to such an extent that notes with aggregated face value of 120 million "Kwan," or 120 billion cash, were worth only one half of specie! The modern mark and rouble, therefore, had nothing on China!

Ming Dynasty.

During the Yuan Dynasty, about 1280, a certain amount of reserve was provided for the issue of notes. Consequently the currency system was greatly improved. Toward the end of the Dynasty, however, owing to extensive military operations, so many notes were issued that notes with the face value of 50 taels would not buy ten lbs. of rice.

Very few notes were issued during the Ming Dynasty and the only samples left were printed during the Hung Wu period.

There were no notes issued during the first part of the Manchu Dynasty. The military operation against the Tai Ping Rebellion during 1850 necessitated the printing of notes both in tael and in cash. The relative values of the notes were so fixed that 200 cash would be equivalent to one tael in notes. The Government banks at Amoy, Foochow, and Tientsin were first to circulate these notes. Although the notes were supposed to be legal tender, even the Government tax bureaux were unwilling to accept them. Then the Government had to fix a percentage at which the taxed amount could be paid in notes. Even for this the public did not want to accept notes. Officials tried to doctor the issue and merchants manipulated the exchange of notes to get profit. The value of notes dropped. Foreign merchants on the other hand bought the notes at a great discount to pay the percentage of import taxes allowed by regulation. The Government bureaux had to accept. It was said that, principally through these manipulations, one clerk in the Ministry of Finance, while having an official salary of 30 or 40 taels, owned property worth 50 to 60 millions!

Squeeze Stopped. It was not until the Government had bought back the notes at a fixed price that this system of squeeze from these manipulations stopped.

Since the introduction of modern banking, more emphasis was laid on the reserve, the printing, and issuance. With the exception of the panic of 1916 the large Government Bank notes were seldom quoted at a discount. Rotarian Young thanked Mr. Hu in behalf of the Club for his address.



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"FIVE DRAGON TEMPLE."

Giant Brass Image.

A KOWLOON CITY PLACE OF WORSHIP.

"Five Dragon Temple" at Kowloon City is well worth the trouble of visiting as it contains many objects of interest to the European. Hanging on the wall is a scroll in English which gives the history of the giant "Chan Mo" or "Pak Tai" as it is known in the vernacular, an image over 500 years old reposing on the altar of honour.

Mr. Tsang Foo, the local coal merchant is mainly responsible for the temple's erection, having purchased the brass idol from Canton and supervised the building outside his villa and school. A typical example of foreign influence in Chinese life is noticeable in Mr. Tsang's house which adjoins the temple. The grounds contain buildings of strictly Chinese type and the semi-European type while a Chinese pond has two foreign-style rowing boats in it and the garden has a wind-driven water condenser made in Illinois, U.S.A.

There are images worked in brass of a tortoise and a snake which represent the deities who carry out God's benevolent orders. That the natives of Kowloon attach much importance to the temple is evident from the large incense burners bestowed in the place of worship.

"Chan Mo."

Below we give an interesting translation:— History of the brass image of the god "Chan Mo" in the Five Dragon Monastery.

"Mr. Tsang Shiu-wing alias Tsang Foo bought the image at Canton for a sum of \$1,200. It measures 8 feet high, and weighs over 1,000 catties. At the left of its robe, are inscribed the 18 characters, 'Yam Chai Tuk Li Kwong Tung Chu Chi Shi Pok Kim Kun Im' (Imperial Inspector-General of Canton Shipping and Salt Commissioner), but the part beneath this has been torn away. At the right corner are found the 17 characters, 'Tai Ming Man Lik Sam Shap Yat Nin Shui Chi Kwai Mau Kwai Chau Kat Yat Kin' (manufactured on a lucky day in the 9th moon of the Kwai Mau year, i.e., the Thirtieth-First year of Man Lik of the Great Ming Dynasty). On the back of the image there are 21 characters in 3 rows, which read thus:—'Fak King Shun Tin Fu Tai Hing Yuen Cheung Chu Wong Tso Kun Tso Chu Chi To Shi Tong To Chan' (manufactured under the supervision of Cheung Chin and Wong Tso of the Tai Hing District of the Shan Tin Prefecture, Peking and Tong To Chan, the Priest in Charge). The image was the property of the Sze 'Taz Shin Lam Monastery, and that it fell into the hands of some ordinary individuals, after the political change in the San Hoi year. On reference to some Taoist Authorities, it has been found that 'Chan Mo' was born in the 3rd moon of the 3rd year of the Emperor Hoi of the Tai Dynasty. He was born a divine sage. He took oath to remove all evil spirits, and to protect the people. He gave up his secular life, and took up the study of Taoism. After pursuing his study in Mo Tung Hill for 43 years, he succeeded in becoming an immortal. He took the North under his protection. He showed his appearance on the solicitation of any man, and suppressed any evil spirit when asked to. He came down among the people every Kang San or Kap Tsz day and every 3rd or 7th day, to remove all causes of misfortune. It is stated in the Annals of the Mo Tung Hill that the place where Chan Mo resided in retirement, was the Five Dragon Monastery. During the Dynasties of the Emperors Tong, Tai, Chung, and Sung Chan Chung, he showed great divine

prodigy on different occasions, and much more in the Yuen and Ming Dynasties. When the Emperor Shai Tso of the Yuen Dynasty first established his capital at Peking, he revealed the appearance of his Divine Tortoise and Snake on the Ko Leung river in the 12th moon of that year, prophesying the foundation of the Sung Dynasty. A temple was therefore built for his worship. Seventy-four years later, on a "Tin Shau" festival in the Yan Chung Dynasty he again showed his appearance in Mo Tung Hill. Kam Luk Temple.

Therefore, the Kam Luk Temple was built, and the Five Dragon Monastery was renovated to make offerings to him every year. In the years of the Emperor Wing Lok of the Ming Dynasty, great development was again made to this Temple and Monastery. In the record of the Mo Tung Hill by Wong Tokwan, will be found the following quotations:—"Powerful is Emperor Shing Tso. He is great, divine and awe-inspiring. Under him peace prevailed at home and abroad. All this was owing to the help of Chan Mo, who came down to guide the 6 Armies of the Emperor. To award his services, great repairs were made to his Temples. Then prosperity reigned throughout the Empire, and the power of the Emperor was extended to the farthest country. Indeed the different temples built in honour of Chan Mo were as numerous as stars in the sky." This shows that the worship of this god was more zealous in the Sung Dynasty than in the reign of Yuen, and therefore his temples could be found everywhere in the Empire.

Made At Peking. This brass image was manufactured under the supervision of a native of Tai Hing of Shun Tin. From this we can tell that it was made at Peking and during the Dynasty of Wing Lok. The date Kwai Mau of the Emperor Man Lik inscribed thereon is the date of the erection of the Temple and not the date of the manufacture of the image. The Imperial Inspector-General of Canton Shipping and Salt Commissioner engraved on the image, was the builder of the Temple, but unfortunately his name has been torn off. However, during the Dynasty of Shan Chung many servants of the Imperial Household were sent out to make heavy levies on the income of merchants, and from this we can deduce that the image was brought to Kwong Tung from Peking by one of such servants, and was enshrined in a temple at Canton after the name of the manufacturer and the date of manufacture had been engraved on it.

Alas! over 500 years have elapsed since the Wing Lok Dynasty. The image was removed from Peking to Canton, and again from a Taoist Temple into a Buddhist Monastery and just some time ago it had a narrow escape from being destroyed. Can it be the case that even a lifeless object has its time of prosperity and misfortune?

The Temple. Now Mr. Tsang having obtained the image, has erected a temple for it at Kowloon under the name of the Five Dragon Temple the very original name of the Monastery from which it came. This history is written for the advice of those who may worship the god and pray him to remove any cause of misfortune.

Written by the True Retired Scholar of Kowloon on the 16th of the 12th moon of the 'Yam Shui' year (31.12.28).

Chop of Chan Pak-to.

Chop of the True Retired Scholar of Kowloon (nom-de-plume of Chan Pak-to).

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They have a big assortment of Curio, Amber, Crystal, Cloisonne and Satsuma ware. In the matter of ladies' dresses The Eastern Bazaar has some surprise in store for the most exacting lady; they are up-to-date in style and are made of all kinds of materials for evening and day wear, such as Brocade silks, silver and gold flowered, velvet-chiffons, satins, flowered, striped crepes and other choice materials. Underwear of new and up-to-date styles have recently been created and have been placed by them on exhibition, they have an extensive tailoring department for ladies dresses, pyjamas, blouses and skirts. Gentlemen's pyjamas, shirts and dress suits, where they make dresses, etc., under the (FULL SATISFACTION GUARANTEE) within 24 hours.

They have big carpets dept. of Indian, Persian, Tientsin, Algerian rugs and carpets, which can be inspected in their beautiful show-room.

D. CHELLARAM.

D. Chellaram, also in Queen's Road, and its branch store the Popular Silk Store in Pedder Street opposite the Hong Kong Hotel have a fine stock of beautiful Chinese shawls which are specially selected by their manager who is a specialist in this line. These shawls comprise a large variety which should satisfy the most exacting purchaser. The same apply to their exquisite Mandarin Coats and Skirts, the famous old style dress of China. Hour coats and Japanese Kimonos are also stocked, each beautifully embroidered with elaborate designs too pretty to describe.

Silks are also to be found in these stores in great variety—the best products of Japan, China and India—both in plain colours and printed. Their brocades and crepes are also excellent materials for ladies' dresses, etc.

POPULAR SILK STORE.

The Popular Silk Store specialises in many kinds of Silk Goods. They are renowned for their Shawls, which are personally selected by Experts for their quality and embroidery, while their beautiful hour coats are just the thing for evening wear; and the designs on their mandarin coats are the same as the coats actually worn by mandarins, while their Kimonos will please the most fastidious tastes. Call at the Popular Silk Store right opposite the Hong Kong Hotel for your silk goods and you will not be disappointed in the

THE LIBERTY STORE.

Also situated on the ground floor of the China Building, in Queen's Road, the Liberty Silk Store also goes under the proud designation of the "House of Up-to-Date Stylish Silks," a name which its proprietor, Mr. M. Lokoomull and his staff strive hard to live up to.

They invite inspection of their stock of Indian, Chinese and Japanese silks of all description which compare favourably with those offered anywhere else both in price and quality. Their selection of Hour coats is one of the best in the Colony. Shawls, too, are of tip-top quality and designs. In the matter of dress lengths they have a large variety to choose from, also pyjama suits, underwears, Kimonos, and the latest things in brocades and tissues for shoes as well as for dresses.

They also maintain a highly efficient tailoring department for which no order is too big to undertake at short notice.

POHOOMULL BROS.

This old-established Indian firm, also known as the Grand Silk Store, is situated in Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong's principal shopping thoroughfare for Eastern goods.

Pohoomull's are proud of the fact that they have the best shawls in Hong Kong. This line has been their speciality for a number of years, and in the face of keen competition they have very jealously guarded their reputation for stocking only the best shawls that money could buy.

There is a great variety of pretty colour combinations in the shawls stocked by Pohoomull's, both in figure and flower patterns the most exquisite imaginable. All these shawls are in the very fine short stitches which have made Canton shawls so famous.

Other special lines carried by Pohoomull's are old embroidery and jade goods, including the most perfect strings and prettily designed pendants. They also stock very appealing Hour coats, Kimonos and Oriental Silks, suitable for making ladies' dresses, etc., and men's shirts and pyjamas. A tailoring department is maintained which is able to turn out orders within very short notice.

It is of interest to note that they have branches in both Cairo and Upper Egypt as well as in Bombay. In Cairo they are situated opposite Sheppard's Hotel, in Upper Egypt in the Winter Palace Hotel Building, Luxor, and in Bombay in Watson's Annex, Apollo Bunder.

WASSIAMULL ASSOMULL & CO.

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Famous for its low prices and high quality, the Bombay Silk Store is located in D'Aguiar Street, up the slight incline from Queen's Road.

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This is the store for Swatow Linen Drawnwork of exceptional quality and price. It is located on the ground floor of China Building in Queen's Road, right in the centre of the shopping district.

Here are also to be found the very best in laces, Mandarin Costumes, pewterware, brassware, Chinaware, Cloisonneware, and Ivoryware, while they also have some rare pieces of Curio which should delight the heart of a collector.

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The Swatow Trading Company, in Pedder Street, is well worth a visit.

They specialise in Swatow Drawnwork which is most appealing and very moderately priced.

Their art embroideries and laces are also of very high quality, whilst in the matter of silk shawls, the Swatow Trading Company have some beauties in stock which are real eye-openers. The stitching is of the popular "short" variety and the embroideries of chic designs and dainty colouring.

TOBACCOS.

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The Tabacqueria Filipina, the noted smokers' suppliers, is situated in the Asiatic Building opposite the Hong Kong Hotel.

Here in this excellently fitted out emporium, you are assured fair prices, fresh stock, fine quality and faithful service, which has been their jealously guarded motto ever since they opened shop in Hong Kong.

The stocks of smokers' requisites carried in this store are large and varied. They have all the best known brands of American tobaccos and cigarettes in stock, and they are also famous for the lines of Manila cigars which they carry.

Pipes of the best makes in sets and singly are to be found in a large variety to choose from. Other requisites are cigar cutters, tobacco pouches, cigar and cigarette cases, patent lighters, fancy ash trays, cigar and cigarette boxes, and every thing imaginable in the tobaccoist's line. All goods are of the best quality obtainable and priced to suit everyone.

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ed for their goods are of the highest quality. The purchases which you make there you will always cherish with affection and also in the knowledge that you have bought something really first class.

This fine store is quite easy to locate as their shop is situated in the centre of the town right in the corner of Alexandra Building where Chater and Des Voeux Roads meet. It is only about three minutes from the ferry and right opposite the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company's office.

KOMOR'S.

(Komor & Komor.)

A visit to Komor & Komor's Art gallery is recommended to all visitors to Hong Kong. The establishment is under the management of Mr. Komor, an authority on Chinese and Japanese art who joined the firm (Kuhn & Komor) forty years ago and whose collection is a household word among curio collectors.

The collection on exhibition is the finest in the Far East: You find articles there for prices ranging from one dollar up to thousands of dollars. Every article is marked in plain figures and visitors are always received with courtesy whether they buy or not. Their packing and shipping department guarantees that everything sent by them must arrive at any part of the world in perfect order.

Komor's art gallery is situated near the Hong Kong ferry corner of Chater Road and the fine window display draws all day and night big crowds of sight-seers. This firm, established since 1867, is one of the oldest firms in Hong Kong. The picture shows a self portrait of Ichin Kaneda, one of the most celebrated artists of Japan.

UNIQUE STATUETTE.



Bronze & Ivory Figure of Ichin Kaneda, Exhibited at Komor's Art Gallery.

Kaneda is nearly 80 years of age, and his figure has been adopted as a model for the art association and is now copied by students.

The figure shown in the picture above, is attracting much attention at the salon of Messrs. Komor and Komor. The story connected with it is not without a touch of pathos. Not very long ago, Kaneda decided to create an ivory and bronze figure which should be a living likeness of himself and his art. The task took a year of patient labour, but when finished, those who know Kaneda, stated that the work was the result of a wonderful inspiration. At first he refused to part with it, but he was ultimately persuaded that he was healthy and strong enough to make another. The bronze part is cast in a soft mould which can be used three or four times, but the face and hands, which are in ivory have to be carved by hand, a fact which preserves the unique individuality of the two figures which have so far been created.

A jade screen in fine carving, supposed to be of the Ming dynasty, in very fine wood and gold mounting, will be the envy of many visitors who collect works of art. The wonderful silk, lacquered Poochow screen will surely be admired by all visitors, and the unique collection of cloisonnery and ivory work known as the "Jade Tree" is a must-see.

RACING THE MAIL.

How the Market Was "Worked."

HONG KONG INCIDENTS.

How the Hong Kong market was sometimes manipulated by means of fast-sailing vessels which got ahead of the Mail is described in a recently published book on the Chinese Customs Service by Paul King, some time Commissioner of Customs in China.

"In the old opium days at Hong Kong," he writes, "the 'Glengyle' left Calcutta a day after the Indian Mail and arrived outside Hong Kong a day or so before her, remaining in hiding near the Lyceum moon Pass. Her first mate, disguised as a Chinese, landed alone, and delivered mail advices to the firm that owned her. When the Indian Mail had arrived and the letters were distributed in the usual way the 'Glengyle' also came into port and registered her arrival.

"Meanwhile the 'Beatissidents' of the latest news had been enabled 'intelligently to anticipate' market conditions, very much to her own benefit.

"She was a beautiful built ship and her 'yacht like' lines gave her what in those days was very great speed—of course she carried no heavy cargo. But the installation of telegraphic communication spoilt her little game, and she sank to the level of the ordinary coast boat. Regrets at her loss were more sentimental than real, as she was an expensive boat to run and for her size a small carrier. Still her anchor chains and deck fittings were a sight for the gods, and no wonder her loss nearly broke Captain Martin's heart. Peace be to her bones 'neath the China Sea."

Mr. King was acting Commissioner of the Kowloon Customs for a period and has some interesting observations to make on Hong Kong past and present.

"Hong Kong was a very different-looking place to the present city. One landed from a six-oared gig at steps just below the Clock Tower. The old Club and the old Hong Kong Hotel were close by, both very comfortable places if not quite so much up-to-date as the present buildings. But deep verandahs and large rooms are valuable adjuncts in the almost perpetual heat of Southern China and with majestic slow-moving punkahs had much in them to invite comparison, not altogether to their disadvantage, with the blaze of electric lamps and the whirl of mechanical fans which often fall either to soothe or to cool.

"However, one must not be Luddite temporis acti, only in the bustle and hustle of daily life now obtaining in the Far East. One looks back affectionately at the calm dignity of old time Raffles at Singapore, and at the quiet and spacious interiors of a bye-gone age in Hong Kong. The Peak Railway was still a dream. I scaled the Rock on foot—with chair following, and came down the same way. A few hardy pioneers had bungled on the mountain-side. I noticed one 'bunglow' with roof securely moored to the soil with stout cables. This was to prevent forcible removal by a passing typhoon.

When Mr. King first made his voyage to the East as a junior he had a letter of introduction—tickets for soup they were called in those days—to Sir Arthur Kennedy, the Governor of Hong Kong, and spent a pleasant afternoon at Government House playing croquet with his

SOLDIER FINED.**MUTILATION OF RACE TICKETS.****OTHER DISCHARGED.**

Hearing was resumed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistrate's court this morning in the case in which Corporal J. Davidson and Bombardier G. H. Lowe, of the 21st Company, Royal Artillery, are charged by the Hong Kong Jockey Club on four counts in connection with the alleged mutilation of entrance tickets whilst employed as gate attendants at the public entrance at the race course on the first day of the annual race meeting.

The charges were (1) attempting to steal \$76, (2) alleged embezzlement of \$76, (3) alleged fraud of \$75 by mutilating entrance tickets, (4) attempting to obtain \$75, by false pretences.

Mr. R. A. Wadeson prosecuted for the Jockey Club, whilst the accused were defended by Mr. G. S. Hughes-Jones.

The case for the prosecution was concluded with the evidence of two Chinese detectives.

No. C428, who was on duty at the race course to watch for pick pockets and to "keep an eye" on the Europeans selling tickets at the entrance of the public enclosure, said that Davidson was in the box selling tickets. The witness saw a lady tender \$3 for a ticket and Davidson handed her a narrow slip which was half the size of the admission tickets. Four men also bought tickets.

The Lady Refused.

Witness did not interfere with the men, but he went up to the lady and asked her to show her ticket but she refused, whereupon the witness reported to Detective Sergeant Baker. Later he spoke to the four men who also had half tickets, whilst Sergeant Baker demanded and obtained the ticket from the lady. The Sergeant took possession of this ticket. Of the four tickets the witness took from the men, the Sergeant only retained one, and returned the others. The witness took the name and address of the man who handed the tickets to him, but was unable subsequently to find him or his four friends, as he was told that they had gone back to Macao.

Mr. Hughes-Jones, in cross-examination of the witness, suggested that he did not actually see the ticket sold to the lady.

The Magistrate inquired why Mr. Hughes-Jones was challenging the part of the evidence, and the latter replied that the impression he had gathered from the evidence of other witnesses for the prosecution was that the witness was sent subsequently to look for people with half tickets.

The Magistrate allowed the question.

The witness was emphatic that he actually saw the ticket sold to the lady.

Replying to another question, the witness said that there were not many people waiting to buy tickets.

With regard to the defendant Lowe, the witness said that the latter stood about a yard away from him. He examined the tickets after they had been issued by Davidson. The witness did not see him go into the enclosure or follow anyone there.

One Half Ticket.

Chinese detective No. C643 said that he was told that half tickets had been issued, and was instructed to go round, examining all the tickets and bring those without numbers to Sergeant Baker. He saw one half ticket without number and two with numbers.

This closed the case for the prosecution.

Mr. Wadeson, in his submission on the first charge, referred his Worship to a case in Cox's reports of Criminal Appeal cases, referring to false weight in the supplying of meat to the military by a contractor whose assistant was charged with attempting to steal 45 lbs. of meat. He was convicted although the spurious weight was discovered before he had actually got away with the stolen meat.

Mr. Wadeson drew a parallel in the present case and submitted that tearing of the tickets in two was for the purpose of receiving money twice on each ticket. There was nothing to account for the extra money thus received, and it could be carried away at the end of the day. All the overt acts, he submitted, had been committed excepting the carrying away of the money as in the case of the meat.

Mr. Hughes-Jones first made his submission with regard to the second accused. The only evidence against Lowe, he said, was that he was on duty. There was no evidence that he saw people with half tickets.

Mr. Wadeson submitted that Lowe was an accessory to the crime by letting the people through on the mutilated tickets which he must have had knowledge of. It would have been different if the hands of the Jockey Club had not been forced and Davidson had been forced to issue the tickets.

He proceeded to say that the charges of embezzlement and

IN NICARAGUA.**U. S. MARINES IN ACTION.****KILLED AND WOUNDED.**

Managua, Yesterday. Four United States marines were killed and nine wounded in an encounter with Sandino's followers who surprised 36 Marines in charge of a pack train of 80 animals with supplies.

Sandino men were firing rifles and machine guns, from a jungle, lining both sides of the trail. The wounded were brought in by aeroplanes. — Reuter's American Service.

ZINOVIEFF LETTER.**LABOUR PARTY DEMANDS DEBATE.****London, Yesterday.**

The Labour Party Executive have decided to ask for a debate in the House of Commons on the Board of Enquiry's report on the so-called francs case with special reference to that part which refers to the Zinovieff letter episode.—British Wireless Service.

Debate Granted.**Later.**

In the House of Commons Mr. Baldwin undertook to find at least half a day to discuss the report of the Civil Service francs enquiry at the request of Mr. MacDonald that the House be given an opportunity of associating itself with the Government's action thereon and asking for an enquiry into the issues raised owing to the re-opening of the Zinovieff affair and the incomplete position in which it was left by the report.—Reuter.

was prepared to drop that against both accused. With regard to the charge of false pretences, Mr. Wadeson said that the tearing of the tickets was in preparation to getting the money.

Leave Discharged.

The Magistrate agreed that the false pretences referred to the representation that 25 tickets had been sold, whereas money had been collected for 50.

Mr. Hughes-Jones argued that in attempted larceny there must be an overt act in furtherance of a criminal intention, and he claimed that no criminal intent had been proved against Lowe, whose business was to see that everyone who entered had tickets. As there was no specific appointment of duty, he did not see how Lowe could be charged.

The Magistrate agreed and Lowe was discharged on all counts.

Case to Answer.

With regard to the first accused, Davidson, Mr. Hughes-Jones made the same submission, and referred to Archibald.

He submitted that the prosecution had not proved Davidson's criminal intent in tearing the tickets in halves. They had probably been done inadvertently in an attempt to cope with the rush. In any case, the onus was on the prosecution to prove that he intended to take the money for himself.

Mr. Lindsell said that Mr. Hughes-Jones had a case to answer on all three charges in the case of Davidson.

Davidson was then placed in the witness box. He said that he had been on duty at the race course only once previously. He worked in the box handling money and tickets. There was a big crowd at the gate on the day in question. At times five people were alongside the box together all paying money and shouting for their tickets. In the hurry to hand out the tickets he admitted that he tore some of them out in halves, that was because of the difficulty of tearing at the perforation. In spite of his hurry to hand out the tickets, many people got in without tickets after paying their money, and the witness had to send Lowe after them to come back and get their tickets.

Lowe could not cope with the crowd and did not get them all back. Between 11 a.m. and 12 noon about 50 or 60 people came one at a time, but after that there was a big rush.

Fined \$100.

Replying to Mr. Hughes-Jones, Davidson said that when he was relieved nothing was said to him, and he left the money and tickets behind him in the box without checking them. He was not conscious of having issued halves of tickets without numbers on them.

By Mr. Wadeson: It was not true that the witness had told Mr. Bernard Brown that he had done duty at all the extra race meetings. He only had experience at one before the annual meeting.

After several witnesses had been called for the defence, including Lowe, the Magistrate

posed a fine of \$100 which was

paid.

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—Minnie Wong.

DIOCESAN GIRLS.**PRIZES DISTRIBUTED YESTERDAY.****A TRYING YEAR.**

The annual prize distribution of the Diocesan Girls' School, Kowloon, took place yesterday afternoon in the presence of a large gathering of pupils of the school together with their parents and friends.

The Bishop of Victoria presided, and the prizes were distributed by Mrs. Russell-Brown. Among those present were Mr. A. E. Wood (Director of Education), the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, M.A., the Rev. Walton Rogers, the Rev. J. H. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. de Martin, the Rev. C. B. Shann, the Rev. N. V. Halward, Mrs. R. E. Lindsell, Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, Mr. Churn and Mr. Grosz.

The headmistress, Miss Sawyer, who read the annual report, stated, inter alia:—

The year 1927 opened with 220 on the roll and closed with 214, the month of February having the record enrolment of 241. The year 1926 began with 199 and closed with 211. Our enrolment in January, 1928 was 239 and this month there are 245 of whom 53 are boarders. This means that we are very full—the boarding house is quite full and with the exception of Class VI other classes are also full.

Last February when our matron Miss Dawing, Miss Walters, Mrs. Kirby and Miss Mason were on the sick list and Miss Paterson had gone home, real friends of the school came to our help.—Mrs. Woodward, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Holden and Miss Trilix Chon, one of our old girls, all came to help and every thing went on in a normal and smooth way.

Mrs. Stout was taken ill in April and called to her rest in July—she had endeared herself to both pupils and colleagues. After referring to other staff changes the report stated:—Dr. Ethel Minett has paid us three visits during the year. In March she again urged the use of the Flush System of sanitation, which I am glad to say is now installed. Early in November Dr. Minett thoroughly examined every pupil in the school and reported any defects. As a school we have kept wonderfully free from epidemics and I am grateful to all those parents who help us in this matter. During the summer months we had some very enjoyable and successful bathing picnics.

Help From Parents.

This brings me to another point which I feel I cannot sufficiently emphasise and that is the real practical help the school has received from very many parents. We have not yet our much needed gym and play shed but I hope that by this time next year we shall be the proud owners of one and that we shall be able to invite you all to a Gymnastic Display.

Examination Successes.

If examinations are a criterion of the success of a school (and I do not think they are) we have cause to be pleased. The Royal Drawing Society examination results were excellent: Honours, 120; Passes, 54; Failed, 6. The University local examination results were also good; 7 entered for the Senior and 6 passed, one with honours. 11 entered for the junior and 11 passed. The Girl Guides have had their usual weekly meetings and the following badges have been awarded: 37 Ambulance, 2 Sick Nurse, 1 Needlewoman, 10 Domestic Service, 7 Entertainer, 4 Toy-maker and 1 Landress.

We have played seven hockey matches, 5 of which were against outside teams—we lost one. Mr. De Martin paid us a formal visit on three consecutive days in October and his visit was very helpful.

A report of the activities of the Diocesan Old Girls' Association was also presented, in which mention was made of the annual school Bazaar, from which a net profit of \$350 was made.

Prize Winners.

Scripture Prizes:—Irene Gittins, Milly Chan, Mabel Willis, Ethel Banker, Agnes Chan, Agnes Chan, Betty Wong, Stanley Lee, Joyce Anderson, George Kelly, Johanna Holland, Holmes Turner.

Needlework Prizes:—Irene Gittins, Edna Batalha, Frances Lee, Rita Randall, Trudy Hing, Ling Caryrho, Lily Silva, Stella Best.

Class Medals:—Irene Gittins, Eva Lang, Grace Chan, Ida Ng, Stella Ho, Sophie Tsang, Dennis Gregory, Thomas Whelan, David Willis, Leslie Gregory.

Loyard Scholarship.—Won by Grace Chan. Money value handed down to a comrade who needs the help.

Tennis Cup.—Won by Class 8: Tamara Ellis, Linda Osozio.

Captain Ball Shield.—Won by Class 2.

Good Conduct Prize, given by Lady Ho Tung (awarded by the votes of the girls).—Milly Chan.

Hong Kong University Senior.—Seven candidates were

—Minnie Wong.

English, Scripture, hygiene, qual-

—Minnie Wong.

CINEMA NOTES.**TO-DAY'S BIG FILM AT THE QUEEN'S.****"THE SCARLET LETTER."**

"The Scarlet Letter" which comes to the Queen's Theatre to-day, is an outstanding picture. Lillian Gish, heroine of "Way Down East" fills the leading role, while Lars Hanson, the new Swedish star, makes his American screen debut, giving an excellent portrayal of Arthur Dimmesdale, the Puritan Pastor. The new production is a vivid screen version of Nathaniel Hawthorne's classic of the days of the Puritans, and has been produced on a lavish scale. The story deals with a Puritan woman who bore a brand of shame through life to shield the man she loved, and the dramatic denouement of her terrible sacrifice. Miss Gish as the ill-starred "Hester Prynne," has one of the most remarkable emotional roles in her career, under the direction of Victor Searstrom, famous as the producer of "Ho, Who Gets Slapped." Karl Dane plays a rough, uncouth giant of a man, the father confessor of the Puritans in trouble. Through-out the dramatic story he is the devoted friend of Hester Prynne. "The Scarlet Letter" will be shown at the usual times until Saturday.

"INTRODUCE ME."

A really delightful picture with an interesting story is "Introduce Me," which commences its run at the Star Theatre, where it will be shown till Saturday. Douglas Maclean, who has the leading part, is as entertaining as ever in the role of the old fashioned backward youth, who has a more modern young man for a friend. These two are in love with the same girl, and at first it is the modern youth who succeeds in winning her smiles. Later, however, after a stay in Switzerland, where Douglas is mistaken for a famous Alpine climber whose identity he is forced to assume, the girl finally realises that she has been in love with the wrong man and hastens to make amends. Amusing complications play a great part in making "Introduce Me" one of MacLean's best comedies.

"CONFESSIONS OF A QUEEN."

"Confessions of a Queen," Victor Searstrom's film version of the novel by Alphonse Daudet, "Kings in Exile," will be screened at the World Theatre from to-day to Saturday. This picture marks the revival of the acting team of Alice Terry and Lewis Stone, who appeared together in such productions as "The Prisoner of Zenda," and "Searamouche." They, of course, play the role of the King and Queen. John Bowers is also a leading man of importance. Helena D'Algy who made her film debut with Rudolph Valentino in "The Sainted Devil," Frankie Dano, the boy actor, Eugene Bessner, Joseph Dowling and many others make up a large cast.

ST. PETER'S CLUB.**STUDY CIRCLE DURING LENT.****MARCH PROGRAMME.**

A study circle, with "Last Words from the Cross" as the subject, is to be held by St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club at 8.15 p.m. every Friday during the Lent season. There will be no social functions; dances and whist drives will be held over until after Easter.

The motions for the two debates in March are as follows:—

On March 5, "That the Cinema Exerts a Greater Influence on Public Opinion than the Press."

On March 19, "That Labour Saving Devices Encourage Laziness." Mr. P. Sands, M.A., will propose on March 5 and Mr. G. S. Zimmern will second. Mr. G. S. Hughes, M.A., and Mrs. W. Faid, B.Sc., lead the opposition.

Other events in the diary for this month are:—

6th.—Library Committee Meeting.—8.30 p.m.

18th.—Entertainment Committee Meeting.—8.30 p.m.

20th.—Sports Committee Meeting.—8.30 p.m.

24th.—Executive Committee Meeting.—8.30 p.m.

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Shadows Before.**COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."****To-day—Dance at Cheer 'O, Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.****To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Scarlet Letter."****To-day—World Theatre; "The Confessions of a Queen."****To-day—Star Theatre; "Introduce Me."****March 2—Musical evening at Cheer 'O, Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.****March 2—Dance by H.M.S. "Titanic" at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8.30 p.m.****March 4-5—World Theatre; "Mantrap."****March 4-5—Star Theatre; "The Whole Town's Talking."****March 4-10—Queen's Theatre; "The Circus."****March 6-7—World Theatre; "The Crown of Lies."****March 6-7—Star Theatre; "Altars of Desire."****March 8—Musical at Helena May Institute.****March 8-10—World Theatre; "Drusilla With A Millions."****March 8-10—Star Theatre; "The Little Irish Girl."****Sports.****March 3—Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club race, for "H." "Y." "L." and "G." Classes.****March 3—"American" lawn tennis tourney (mixed doubles) for members of the Ladies' Recreation Club, 2.30 p.m.****March 3—Fanning Hunt steeplechases (Spring meeting).****March 6—R. H. K. Golf Club (Ladies' Section) medal competition.****March 10—Next Tournament of the H.K. Boxing Assn.; Lee Theatre, Percival Street, East Point.****March 11—Sixth extra race meeting of Macao Race Club.****March 14—Ninth bi-annual race for ship's life boats ("Trevesa" Trophy) starting at 4 p.m.****March 17—Hong Kong Jockey Club extra race meeting, Happy Valley.****March 20—R. H. K. Golf Club (Ladies' Section) bogey competition, New Course, Fanning.****March 2—Miscellaneous goods at Godown No. 3, Upper, H.K. & K. Wharf, & Godown Co., Ltd., West Pt., 11 a.m.****March 5—At 169, The Peak, (Mt. Kellott Rd.) valuable household furniture, 2.45 p.m.****March 5—At Sales Room, Duddell St., postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.****Meetings.****March 6—Meeting of lady helpers of the "Cheer 'O" canteen, Chater Rd., in Helena May Institute, 10.30 a.m.****March 10—Thirty-second yearly meeting of shareholders in the Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., 2, Lower Albert Road, noon.****March 16—Thirty-ninth general meeting of the H.K. Electric & Co., Ltd., Company's offices, P. & O. Bldg., noon.****March 21—Thirty-ninth annual meeting of Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., at St. George's Bldg., Chater Rd., noon.****Miscellaneous.****To-day—Ladies' Night at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, 9 p.m.****To-day—Hong Kong Technical Institute reopens.****March 1—Annual dinner of members of St. David's Society, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant cancelled.****March 2—Prize-giving of St. Stephen's College, in the Great Hall of St. Stephen's Girls' College, 8 p.m.****March 2—Bible study circle at Helena May Institute, 10.30 a.m.****NOTICE.****THE EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO. LTD.****(Incorporated in England).****CABLE RATES.****THE RATES TO Canada, United States, Mexico, Central and South America, etc., via Pacific will be REDUCED from 1st MARCH, 1928, as follows:—****CANADA.**

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E. A. LEGGATT.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1928.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Hakersfield, California, Feb. 29.
—A series of earthquakes shook
the oil fields on the outskirts of the
city last night.—Reuter.

During the week ended February
17 arrivals in Shanghai totalled
3,133 persons and 3,201 persons left
by steam launches plying on the
Soochow Creek.

The only case of notifiable dis-
ease reported to the Medical Officer
of Health on Wednesday was that
of a Chinese with enteric fever
(typhoid) from the city registra-
tion district.

The resignation of two members
of the Iraq Ministry who were
opposed to the terms of the new
treaty with Great Britain has been
followed by the dissolution of the
Iraq Parliament.

Mrs. Luck Mason Giles, aged 27,
who is under remand at Aldershot
on a charge of murdering her
4-months-old daughter by striking
her with a hammer, has been
certified as insane.

Raffles Museum, in Singapore,
drew the usual large crowds of
Chinese during the New Year, the
building being crowded from an
early hour. Similar conditions
prevailed at the Kuala Lumpur
Museum, which was thronged with
visitors.

The Prize-giving of St.
Stephen's College will take place in
the Great Hall of St. Stephen's
Girls College, on Friday, March
2, at 8 p.m., when Mrs. Mok
Kon-sang will distribute the
Prizes. Friends and Old Boys are
requested to attend.

The Sun Life of Canada, Mon-
treal, has donated thirty scholar-
ships of \$500 each to the Canadian
Tuberculosis Association to assist
salaried sanatorium and chest
diagnosticians to visit the tuber-
culosis centres in Britain, France
and Italy in 1928.

Mr. Sydney Morgan, of the
Federated Malay States, was one
of the godparents at the christen-
ing, in the parish church of Wal-
ton-on-the-Hill, Surrey, of the in-
fant son of Sir Ernest Holderness
(a former British amateur golf
champion), and Lady Holderness.

The Sheikh Dari Mahmud has
been taken under an armoured
car escort to Bagdad, where he
will be tried for the murder in
August 1920 of Col. G. E. Leach-
man, British political officer, who
was treacherously shot while in the
sheikh's tent 20 miles from
Bagdad.

About 20 killed Communists at-
tempted to hold a meeting in Poo-
tung, but were unable to do so,
being dispersed by four of the Poo-
tung Merchant Volunteers. The
revolutionists fired about ten shots
into the air as they made off, but
no injuries were reported, nor any
arrests.

According to a Peking message
published in the Shanghai "Zarya"
it is stated on reliable Chinese
information that it is proposed to
liquidate the branches of the Russo-
Asiatic Bank in the Three Eastern
Provinces. This question was dis-
cussed at a recent meeting of the
officials in Peking.

When smoke was seen issuing
from the cook house at the Kings-
clere Hotel on Tuesday evening,
the Kowloon Fire Brigade was
immediately summoned. On ar-
rival, the firemen discovered that
the composition handles of some
knives placed near a stove had be-
come ignited. The flames were
extinguished by the servants.

The wedding will take place at
Shanghai on March 14 of Miss
Liang Mei-kwen, daughter of Mr.
Liang Chong, one of the founders
of the Wing On Co., and Mrs.
Liang, to Mr. Edmund Kwok, son
of Mr. J. Kwok Lock, managing
director of the Wing On Co., and
Mrs. Kwok. Both families are
well known and highly respected in
Hong Kong.

Banished in January last after
serving seven terms of imprison-
ment, a Chinese returned to the
Colony and was found loitering in
a house in Yaumatei on Tuesday.
He was taken into custody, and his
identity having been established by
police records, he was yesterday
charged before Mr. W. Schofield at
the Kowloon Magistracy, and was
sentenced to 12 months' hard
labour.

A proclamation has been issued
in the Chinese press by Mr. Leo
Hing-yun, Chief Judge of the
Shanghai Provisional Court, who
says that, owing to the increasing
number of armed robberies and
kidnappings, it has been decided
to pardon evil characters who sur-
render to the authorities, repent of
their former actions, and assist in
the suppression of crime.

To-morrow is 'Ember Day.

On and a half million herrings
were landed at Plymouth—a record
catch for the season.

The Bible study circle at the
Helena May Institute to-morrow
will begin at 10.30 a.m.

Decrees were granted in 466
divorce cases in the Edinburgh
Court of Session during 1927.

Mr. R. C. Tredwell will speak on
Personal Experiences in Russian
Turkistan, at the Helena May
Institute on Monday, March 5, at
5.30 p.m.—Advt.



Senator Frank B. Willis, of Ohio,
who has thrown his hat into the
ring, and is now actively engaged
in running for President on the
Republican ticket. The Ohio Sen-
ator is at work building up his
machine and has selected Carmel
Thompson as his campaign man-
ager.

While overseas Chinese are being
requested to contribute towards a
relief fund, Canton must have
spent more than \$10,000 recently in
erecting arches of triumph in
honour of General Li Chai-sum.

The students of Pui Ching
Baptist Academy, Tungshan, Can-
ton, are conducting a vigorous
campaign to raise \$10,000 for the
erection of a hall as part of the
scheme to reconstruct the whole
institution.



Col. Charles Benton Robbins,
U.S. Reserve Corp, the new As-
sistant Secretary of War, who suc-
ceeded Hanford MacNider. Colonel
Robbins is a native of Cedar
Rapids, Iowa.

Two leading members of the
Shanghai Municipal Police have
left for England. They are Mr.
John Burnside, Superintendent of
"A" division, who has retired, and
Mr. T. P. Givens, Assistant Com-
missioner of Police, who is going
Home on long leave.

With a view to encouraging
those returning to England from
over-seas to visit Canterbury
Cathedral and, maybe, join the
newly formed Society known as
"The Friends of Canterbury Cath-
edral", particulars are being cir-
culated of the objects of this
Society and of its first annual
Festival which has been fixed for
May 19. The Society consists of
"those who cherish the history, the
beauty and the spiritual associa-
tions of the Cathedral and who de-
sire to show their love for it and
to help to preserve it for posterity."
To many, the Cathedral is the
most noble and lovely of all the
Cathedrals, but it has a special
appeal to all Britons in that it was
there that St. Augustine, over
thirteen centuries ago first pre-
ached to the English and replanted
the Christian faith in Britain. More
and more during recent years it
has become a centre for English
speaking people overseas and rarely
a month passes during the spring
months when it does not preach within
its walls.

A dance will be held by H.M.S.
"Titanic" at Messrs. Lane, Craw-
ford's restaurant to-morrow, begin-
ning at 8.30 p.m.

The Donaldson liner "Salacia"
(5,201 tons) leaves the Clyde for
Vancouver with a consignment of
whisky equivalent to more than
1,250,000 bottles.

An aerial excursion service be-
tween Geneva and Chamonix, pass-
ing over Mont Blanc (15,782-ft.),
was inaugurated by the French
pilot Bajac, whose aeroplane carried
11 passengers.

Prize distribution at Central
British School, Kowloon, will be
held at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday,
March 8. Mrs. Ralphs (wife of the
Inspector of English Schools) will
give the prizes away.

Canon Jonathan Charles Buckley,
aged 82, from 1882 to 1918 vicar of
St. Luke's, Victoria Dock, E., an
influential figure among men in
dockland, has died at Hemel
Hempstead, Hertfordshire.

The engagement is announced
between Francis Lindsay Webster,
of Miri, Sarawak, son of Dr. and
Mrs. James Webster, of Aberdeen,
and Emma Johanna Elisabeth
(Betty) Trechman, second daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Trechman,
of Kloro, Stockton-on-Tees.

Loafers who robbed an American
sailor in Shanghai one night not
only stole his money but also re-
moved his shoes. The sailor, from
the destroyer "Pruitt," had just
emerged from a bar when he was
attacked by three men. After they
had robbed him he gave chase in
bare feet and finally collapsed in
the road.

Sir Miles Lampson (the British
Minister at Peking) paid a second
visit to the New Territories yester-
day, having tiffin at the Royal
Hong Kong Golf Club, Fanling.
Last night he attended a dinner
party at Government House. To-
morrow afternoon he sails on the
Cunard liner "Franconia" for
Shanghai.

The "Mainichi" reports that the
Japanese Marines have several days
ago received four armoured motor
cars built in England, and that ten
motor-cycles, equipped with a
machine-gun, specially built for
street fighting, also arrived. It is
reported that a practice will be held
after which a portion of the
consignment will be sent to Han-
kow.

An engagement is announced
between Mr. Euan Mackinnon, son
of the late Mr. L. A. R. Mackinnon,
of H.M. Consular Service in China,
and of Mrs. Mackinnon, of Queen's
Road, Richmond, Surrey, and Miss
Joan Foster, youngest daughter of
the late Mr. Henry Foster, J.P.,
of Ludlow, Shropshire, and only
daughter of Mrs. Foster, of Queen's
Road, Richmond, Surrey.

The following have been elected
Fellows of the Royal Colonial In-
stitute.—British Malaya: C. V.
Brandon (Malacca), H. S. Brown
(Sillau, N.S.) and A. C. M. Wall
(Kuala Lumpur), China: Henry
G. Allen (Shanghai), R. J. Bladon
(Shanghai), Henry H. Brown
(Tientsin), Edgar C. Day (Shang-
hai), Albert Pullen (Shanghai),
Frederick S. Quilliam, LL.B., I.A.S.
(Shanghai).

According to the "Zarya," more
than 3,700 White Russians have
registered with the Bureau of For-
eign Affairs, in Shanghai, and, as
the head of a family, may register
his entire family in his own
name, it is believed that 7,000 Rus-
sians are accounted for. About
200 Soviet citizens who applied for
recognition answered the following
questions in the negative:—"Do
you recognise the Soviet Govern-
ment, and are you a Communist?"

The mayor, aldermen, and bur-
gesses of Newport, Monmouthshire,
at their own police court and under
their own by laws, were ordered to
pay 20s., including costs, in each
of two cases for failing to remove
snow from the footway adjoining
the town hall and other offices. The
education authority for a similar
lapse regarding their Crindau
Schools, were ordered to pay 20s.,
while the vicar of a large church
in a residential neighbourhood had
to pay 5s. costs.

Mr. Charles Basil Whitehead,
Chief Police Officer, Province
Wellesley, left for Home by the
"Malwa" and is retiring shortly.
Mr. Whitehead came to Malaya as
Assistant Superintendent of Police,
S.S., in 1900, before which he had
been an officer in the F. & O.
Steamship Company. He was
transferred from Singapore to
Ponang in 1905 and five years later
was Superintendent of Police, Har-
bours Master and Commissioner of
the Port of Malacca. He has been
in Province Wellesley since 1911.

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SEND IT HOME!

Harmonious relations between Canton and Hong Kong
are such that an event of outstanding importance has been
recorded this week. Marshal Li Chai-sum is to honour Hong
Kong with an official visit and Sir Cecil Clementi will return
the compliment.

In the interests of trade, or mutual understanding, or
letting people at Home know what progress has been made
towards restoring amity, residents should make the most of
the opportunity. Misconceptions should be removed for
the benefit of Hong Kong and its people.

A very effective way to do so is to inform friends and busi-
ness connections of the happy prospect in view. Let them
read the latest number of the "Overland China Mail" which
contains the week's news. The news will back up your
arguments convincingly.

This week's "Overland" describes the welcome given by
Canton to the British Minister; preparations for receiving
General Li Chai-sum are recorded; speeches of the Colony's
leading merchants—who one and all speak with confidence
of the immediate future—are reproduced in the "Overland."
—Do your duty by sending the "Overland China Mail" to
those who do not know.

WHEN YOU GO ON LEAVE.

Hong Kong's spring exodus has begun. Are you going
Home on leave this year? If you are, you will be surprised
by the number of persons who will ask you about China and
Hong Kong. You will be astonished at the number and type
of silly questions put to you in all good faith. And you will
have to admit reluctantly (if only to yourself) that you are
not quite certain. Will you be believed, though? Keep in
touch with Hong Kong and China by having the "Overland
China Mail" sent to you for a stipulated period.

By spending a little time while you are on holiday, you
can keep yourself well informed if you have the "Overland."
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Chinese to understand. In any case, you will not regret, from
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Sport Columns

HOME FOOTBALL

LATEST MATCHES PLAYED IN THE LEAGUE.

RESULTS AND TABLES.

London, Yesterday.
League football matches played to-day (home team mentioned first) resulted as follows:

Division I.

Bolton 2, The Wednesday 0.
Scottish League.
Clyde 1, Falkirk 1.
Hamilton 4, Hibernian 1.
Kilmarnock 1, Raith 0.
—Reuter.

LEAGUE TABLES.

League tables to date follow:

Division I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	P.	A.	Pts.
Huddersfield	28	14	8	6	68	47	36
Everton	29	14	8	7	76	52	36
Leicester	30	14	7	9	71	53	35
Bolton	30	14	6	10	61	45	34
Cardiff	29	13	8	8	62	47	34
Blackburn	30	12	9	9	45	50	33
Newcastle	30	11	9	10	58	50	31
Bury	31	14	3	14	60	67	31
Liverpool	30	14	2	14	52	54	30
Aston Villa	29	12	5	12	56	54	29
Sunderland	28	11	7	10	55	53	29
Tottenham	28	12	5	12	60	61	29
Derby	30	10	7	13	67	67	27
Arsenal	27	10	7	10	57	59	27
Middlesbrough	30	9	9	12	61	65	27
West Ham	29	11	5	13	59	67	27
Sheff. U.	29	9	7	13	61	62	25
Manchester U.	28	10	5	13	47	54	25
Birmingham	29	6	12	11	46	59	24
Portsmouth	29	9	6	14	47	73	24
Wednesday	29	5	10	14	49	62	20

Scottish League.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	P.	A.	Pts.
Rangers	28	20	6	3	87	30	45
Motherwell	30	19	6	5	77	34	44
Celtic	29	17	8	4	71	27	42
Hearts	30	18	4	8	82	41	40
St. Mirren	30	15	6	9	59	50	36
Kilmarnock	30	13	8	9	56	60	34
Partick	30	13	8	9	59	60	34
Falkirk	30	15	3	12	60	54	33
Aberdeen	30	14	4	12	55	54	32
Cowdenbeath	29	12	7	10	49	51	31
St. Johnstone	30	11	8	11	57	54	30
Hibernians	30	10	7	13	55	55	27
Dundee	30	11	4	15	51	69	26
Queen's Park	30	9	6	15	54	63	24
Airdrie	30	7	10	13	43	68	24
Hamilton	30	9	4	17	54	66	22
Clyde	30	8	6	16	37	63	22
Borness	29	9	3	17	39	69	21
Raith	28	6	5	17	43	75	17
Dunfermline	30	3	24	33	100	9	9

CUP FINAL.

Over a Million Applications for Tickets.

London, Feb. 22.
The total number of applications for tickets for the F.A. Cup final at Wembley on April 21 has exceeded a million.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP FIXTURES.

T. Honda (a former champion) is down to play to-day in the open singles championship of the Colony, in the Hong Kong Cricket Club annual lawn tennis tournament.

Some of the fixtures in the Club championship have been decided. Competition in other sections begins to-day but it is doubtful if the courts will be opened, in view of the rain during the last few days.

Japanese are playing in all four open singles fixtures fixed for to-day. To-day's programme (subject, of course, to the weather) is as follows:

Open Singles:—T. Honda v. J. Cassumbhoy, T. Isomura v. T. Yamada, T. Fujieda v. Lieut. J. Hale, R. P. Lonsdale v. Y. Sajiki.

Handicap Singles "B":—M. M. Watson (rec. 15) v. W. A. Stewart (rec. 15.1); H. C. Macnamara (rec. 15) v. J. F. Kennedy (rec. 4/6).

O. C. Womack (owe 15) has scratched to C. L. C. Sandes (rec. 3/6) in the Handicap Singles "A".

S. M. Garrard and J. H. M. Andrew (rec. 5/6) have scratched to C. L. C. Sandes and H. A. Graves (rec. 5/6) in the Handicap Doubles.

'VARSITY CRICKET TEAMS.

The following will represent the University 1st XI in a league match against the Royal Navy 1st XI on Saturday, 2 p.m., at King's Park:—C. W. Lam (captain), Dr. D. K. Samy, Dr. D. Laing, A. R. Kurnjahn, S. V. Gitting, J. Barrow, W. H. Sling, F. L. Zimmerman, A. P. Gutierrez, E. A. Lee, A. T. Lee. Scorer: C. L. Tan. Umpire: Dr. C. H. Yeoh.

The following will represent the University 2nd XI in a league match against the H.K. Electric R.C. on Saturday, at 2 p.m. at Pokfulam:—F. Hipkoola (captain), A. Baker, M. B. Osman, B. N. Sudan, K. T. Lake, A. R. Kurnjahn, S. F. Chen, N. P. Karan, C. L. Tan. Scorer: Dr. C. H. Yeoh.

FANLING HUNT.

PROGRAMME FIXED FOR MARCH.

GRAND NATIONAL.

After this Saturday's steeplechases, the next race meeting of the Fanling Hunt will be on March 31 when the programme will include the Fanling Grand National and Fox-Hunters' Challenge Cup.

The calendar for March is as follows:

Saturday, 3rd.—Steeplechase race meeting at Kwant.

Sunday, 4th.—Meet at Stables, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, 7th.—Meet at Mr. Potts's Bungalow, 2.45 p.m.

Saturday, 10th and Sunday, 11th.—Meets to be announced on notice board at Hunters' Arms.

Wednesday, 14th.—Meet at Sheung Shui, 2.45 p.m.

Saturday, 17th.—Drag Meet at Mr. Potts's Bungalow, 2.45 p.m.

Sunday, 18th.—Paper Chase, Lok Ma Chau cross roads, 11.30 a.m.

Wednesday, 21st.—Meet at Mr. Souza's Bungalow, 2.45 p.m.

Saturday, 24th.—Meet at Mr. Potts's Bungalow, 2.45 p.m.

Sunday, 25th.—Point-to-Point, Mr. Potts's Bungalow, 11.30 a.m.

Wednesday, 28th.—Meet at Stables, 2.45 p.m.

Saturday, 31st.—Steeplechase race meeting (Fanling Grand National and Fox-Hunters' Challenge Cup) at Kwant.

PONIES SOLD.

NEW STABLE FOR EXTRA MEETINGS?

MR. HO KOM-TONG'S EIGHT.

No pony that can be said to be of (handicap) "A" class changed hands at yesterday's annual pony roup. The class offered for sale comprised mostly cast-offs which are unlikely to do much more than racing, even in "C" class events.

Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Masonic Hall fetched the highest price, \$310, the purchaser being Mr. H. H. Priestley.

Mr. Ho Kom-tong disposed of seven other ponies, one of them (Manor Hall) fetching the second highest price, \$210, paid by Mr. A. C. Botelho.

Major Lake's Dumfries, the champion subscription griffin, was on the catalogue, but was withdrawn.

Mr. M. A. Rafeek (of Osaka Shosen Kaisha), who had a share in the first prize of the South China A.A. Derby Sweep, purchased three ponies. The Grouse for \$125, King Sol for \$100 and Tars Tarkas for \$50; and he may be seen as an owner very shortly.

Mr. S. P. Cheng of the Macao Race Club bought a good many of the ponies offered.

Three figure prices were paid for—Masonic Hall \$310, Manor Hall \$210, Fame Hall \$190, Castle \$190, Misch Mish \$130, The Grouse \$125, Fire Call \$120, King Sol \$100, Liberty Hall \$100.

GOLF AT RYE.

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE SOCIETY.

THREE GLORIOUS DAYS.

The Oxford and Cambridge Society's meeting at Rye deserves to be remembered for the glorious weather which graced the three days for which it lasted, and the redoubtable iron play of Mr. R. H. Wethered which brought him safely to victory, says a London writer.

One of his unfortunate victims complained to me that when he could scarcely get up at the seashore against the wind with two perfect wooden club shots, Mr. Wethered flicked the ball home with an iron right over the range of hills. It was a complaint with which golfers generally may sympathise.

Determination.
The golfer whom the meeting discovered was Mr. Maughan. If a tribute from the vanquished is not out of place, perhaps I may be permitted to remark that Mr. Maughan did a great deal of his golf at Rye. He won a great match from Sir Ernest Holderness after being downy three down, and he chased Mr. Wethered to the last green in a long up-hill flight which might easily have ended in his favour.

Mr. Maughan's swing is a short one, but seems eminently sound and well balanced, and he hits the ball with a pleasing crispness, particularly in the short approach.

Mr. Maughan's determination and his determination to succeed in the future success.

TITLE BOUT.

MORRIS AND MORRELL TO MEET.

MARCH 10 TOURNAMENT.

Signalman Morris, H. M. S. "Argus" (holder) is to meet Stoker Morrell, H.M.S. "Vindictive" in a 16-round bout at the Lee Theatre, Percival Street, East Point, for the middleweight boxing championship of the Colony and the R. M. Dyer belt on March 10, under the auspices of the Hong Kong Boxing Association.

This will be the last occasion that either of these two popular boxers will be seen in public in Hong Kong. Morris won the title by defeating Jose Pintos de Silva at the last tournament. A second victory will give him the belt outright. He has beaten Stoker Reynolds for \$200 a-side; knocked out Piper Smith in one round; knocked out Leading Seaman Wilson in two rounds; and knocked out Able Seaman Buckmaster in eight rounds.

Morrell Has Improved.

Morrell appeared in Hong Kong on several occasions before going to Shanghai where he has improved considerably. In Shanghai he beat Sammy Braunstein and Glen Huckaby of the U.S. Marines and Williams of the French Defence Force. His only defeat was at the hands of Corporal Duncan, R.M.

For contrast of styles, the bout on March 10 will be well worth seeing. Both men are clever, strong and experienced.

"Vindictive" will also be engaged. He has not been defeated and has to his credit the following:—knocked out Ike Jacobs, U.S.N. in two rounds; beat Jimmy Riddle, U.S. Marines; beat young Gonzales; beat Battling Lara twice.

The preliminaries for the tournament will be of a high standard.

KID NITRAM BATTERED BY HARVEY.

LAST 2 ROUNDS A BLANK.

In his own words Kid Nitram, the middleweight boxer champion of France—whose name is Martin spelt backwards—was told to ease by Len Harvey at the Albert Hall—overwhelmed and crushed.

To an "Evening Standard" representative Nitram made the remarkable statement after the fight (which was held in mail week)—supported by friends who were at the ringside—that he fought for two rounds in an unconscious condition. He did not know what had happened until he was told later. Then he learned that he had been disqualified in the fourteenth round for going down without a punch.

The French boxer has a sense of humour. "I might just as well have spelt my name upside down as backwards last night," he said in French.

In-Fighting Ordeal.

"What happened was that I was first of all worn out by Harvey's in-fighting—if it was in-fighting. He pinned my elbows to my sides, and pounded at me. It was quite different from the fight with Milligan. He boxed and broke away when we were at close quarters.

"It took me completely by surprise. I was paralysed.

"Still I fought on. Then there came one, two blows on the left temple here." Nitram, whose eyes were puffed up and whose face was bruised, indicated two marks where the punches had landed.

"I remember the tenth—yes, the eleventh—and, I think, the twelfth rounds. But after that I did not know what I was doing. I was unconscious of all around me until I was outside the hall.

The Blank.

"My manager was telling me that I had been down four times, I think. I never remember the referee touching me at all. They say he lifted me up.

"I must just have gone on like a machine without consciousness. It was bad luck, but I hope I did my best."

The punishment Nitram had taken certainly bore out his description of what happened.

He explained, by the way, that he had reversed his name because there were so many boxers named Martin in France.

Harvey-Milligan Plans.

Len Harvey, on whom there was not a mark, explained that for the first few rounds he was feeling his way.

"Then saw," he said, "that I could go in and outfight and out-box him. By the eleventh round I had him at my mercy."

It is understood that negotiations are proceeding for a meeting between Tommy Milligan and Harvey.

Mr. Dan Sullivan, Harvey's manager, who is middleweight champion of Europe, for a stake up to \$1,000.

GO OUT TO WIN!

LORD HAWKE'S ADVICE TO CRICKETERS.

YORKSHIRE & OLD SCHOOL.

"First-class cricket, if it is to remain successful and keep its grip on the public, must not be lightly dealt with. Teams should go right out from the first ball of a match to win and not start a game with the idea of saving it."

While making this powerful plea for brighter cricket in his presidential speech at the annual meeting of the Yorkshire Cricket Club, Lord Hawke indicated how the end is to be attained by the Yorkshire team.

"As to the forthcoming season," he said, "there is every prospect that the team will do well under Captain Worsley. It is not to be expected that every game will be won; therefore, we must not get alarmed if a reverse comes our way."

Loves Game For Itself.

"The play will be brightened, I am sure; and the spirit of cricket, as the old school understand it, will be brought out under your new skipper, who is a great hitter and loves the game for the game itself. Without being reckless, and without jeopardising the team's chance of victory, a more aggressive policy will be introduced, giving greater pleasure to our many adherents."

The times of play had been altered, so that stumps would be drawn at 6.30. This was a great improvement, as the 6.45 time was never popular.

No Long Tea Interval.

The Advisory Committee had ordered a note to be sent round to captains and umpires about the tea interval, which must not exceed ten or fifteen minutes at the outside. If strictly carried out, these little matters would do much to speed up and add interest generally to the game.

"The present method of giving points for a first innings' lead is disastrous," said Lord Hawke.

Lord Hawke made only a brief reference to the controversy aroused by the offer of the captaincy to Sutcliffe, and his refusal.

"I am sorry," he said, "we had that little misunderstanding about the captaincy, but that is all happily ended."

NARROW ESCAPE.

MISS GLEITZE CAUGHT IN WATER.

DRAGGED DOWN BY VORTEX

Tangier. — Miss Mercedes Gleitze, the London typist, was in serious peril in her third attempt to swim the Straits of Gibraltar. A heavy sea was running, and when she was five hours out from Tangier, Miss Gleitze was swept into a vortex of water.

Her efforts to battle against the currents proved unavailing, and she was taken out by those on board the escorting tug.

Some members of her party stated that she was then on the verge of drowning.

She was brought back to Tangier on the tug. She is said to have completely recovered from the effects of her experience.

Frantic Struggles.

In an interview after she landed, Miss Gleitze said:—

"It was terrible. I had just completed the fifth hour, and was getting set, though the continued darkness—for there was no moon—was making me rather sleepy."

"I had made good progress when suddenly I was seized by the whirlpool and irresistibly dragged down and down, in spite of frantic struggles."

"I screamed, and as my head went under I felt the side of the boat."

"It was the end, and a very bitter end, too, but better than being defeated by bad weather or adverse currents."

"I do not think of making a further attempt, but I wish luck to all those who try."

Formidable Task.
Miss Gleitze apparently insisted on endeavouring to get out of the vortex of the whirlpool unaided, and fought until she was thoroughly exhausted and in danger of being drowned. She then gave up and was rescued by those on board the attendant boat.

The Straits have never yet been swum, the complex and varying currents making them one of the most formidable tasks for a swimmer in the world.

On her second attempt, made at the beginning of the year, Miss Gleitze, after 13 hours, got within a mile of Cape Tarifa, the southernmost point of the Spanish coast, but was then beaten by the cold and choppy sea and contrary tides.

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It affords considerably more scope in the way of entertainment than an orchestra or band in that piano, band and orchestra selections are equally as suited to its purpose. The tone is beautiful and the various instruments may be heard clearly in orchestral selections.

Reverting to the Automatic Orthophonic Victrola, the most salient feature is that the instrument carries for itself from the time it is started until it stops after the last record of those on the loader has been played. As few records as desired or as many as twelve can be played in succession and the advantage of this is most clearly demonstrated in series records where a complete symphony or dance programme may be played.

If at any time during the playing it is desired to stop a particular record, all that is necessary is to push a convenient reject button and the record is placed back in the box. For intervals in the programme all that is necessary is to push back the motor starting switch. Otherwise, the instrument will play all the records and will stop automatically after the last record has been discharged into the record drawer.

THE SUBMARINE.

BRITAIN AGREES WITH ABOLITION.

London, Yesterday.

Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, the First Lord of the Admiralty, said the attitude of the Government on the question of abolishing the submarine remained the same as originally indicated by Lord Lee of Fareham at the Washington Conference. In 1921, when he urged the abolition of the submarine, that attitude was reaffirmed by himself at the recent Naval Conference in Geneva—British Wireless Service.

As competitors could not finish in time, the race was postponed to this Saturday at the usual time.

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SLAVES OF HOME.

BONDAGE TO BEEFSTEAKS & SERVANTS.

WOMEN IN ORDERED LIFE.

I am very, very tired of listening to the clarion voice of Efficiency on the subject of home management; when Organisation is mentioned I lie down and sleep (says Ursula Dowdall in a London publication). The thought of an Ordered Life fills me with cold horror, I become morbid, I write imaginary advertisements—"Take a dose of Benighted Efficiency and make your life Worth While. A few years ago I was a nervous wreck...." etc.

There is a scorn and fury above the fury of a woman scorned, and that is the bitterness which the efficient bear towards the inefficient. However, my chief objection to the Efficient is not their intolerance, but their morbid passion for interference based on the assumption that organisation is the heart of home management and indispensable. It is this which has moved me to make a few remarks on how the undomesticated "do."

Do All the Work.
I have no servants. I have a small child and a girl who lives with me. I do all the work, including the washing of clothes and curtains, and lead a leisured life. There must be plenty of other people who do the same, only they do not seem to write about it, which is a pity.

People in general find happiness to be fundamentally peace of mind, absence of worry. They write about happiness, think of it and talk of it, and then go home and worry about it. More than half of the other things they worry about are of no real consequence at all.

Problems Solve Themselves.
There occurs, I think in one of Conrad's books, this sentence: "Good God! What's a tornado? What chance has it against a human soul!" Yet there are thousands of women who voluntarily lay their souls in bondage to such trippery as beefsteaks, servant problems, drainage systems and their husband's boots. Better a thousand times that your husband should walk barefooted to the City—if it comes to a question of their freedom of mind or boots—than that you should be, so to speak, a slave to his boots. Roughly speaking, that is to say, speaking very roughly.

Pip and a Complex.
These problems when put in their true position, which is essentially a subordinate one, can be looked down upon instead of appearing, let us say, as an impenetrable cloud overhead, obscuring the sun and causing general depression.

So when the Efficient tell me how they are doing one thing at 7.30 a.m. and another at 8.15 and something else equally horrible at 9.0; how they wash on Monday and mind the baby on Wednesday and so on, urging organisation upon me, my reply to these slaves of routine is that home organisation gives me the pip and a complex, and, further, that there are more ways of killing a cat than by choking it with cream.

Economy of Effort.
I personally get through an amount of work, in part by dividing large jobs into small ones (no "weekly wash," but odd ten minutes here and there, furniture if cleaned daily takes under five minutes, brass ten, and paint, if done frequently, under a quarter of an hour); in part by combining odd jobs (washing up can be done while cooking, a pudding made while a kettle boils, etc.), and in part by constantly devising means of economising effort.

I think that housewifery, in order to be pleasant to the housewife and restful to the household, should be less a matter of organisation and more of artistry. I would replace superfluous cookery books and books on household management by some of the lives of saints from which the embryo housewife might learn idealism and faith, by the works of Henry Ford, from which she might learn how to economise effort, by a hand-book on psychology—for the handling of servants, a book on pictures for beauty and decoration, a bible and the works of Shakespeare.

Dividends of Leisure.
When one has no fixed time-table, theatres, dinners, dances, entertaining, reading and writing become possible when the inclination occurs, as is the case with the "leisured classes." One's soul is one's own, and if the house burns down or the roof falls in, nothing can alter that. What chance has a tornado against a human soul?

SIR B. CHADWICK.

REASONS FOR RESIGNATION ANNOUNCED.

MR. BALDWIN'S LETTER.

Correspondence which passed between Sir Burton Chadwick and the Prime Minister on the occasion of the resignation by Sir Burton of the office of Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade is now available for publication. Writing to Mr. Baldwin on Jan. 3, Sir Burton gave two reasons for tendering his resignation.

The first reason was that his work as Deputy Master of the Company of Master Mariners, recently founded by a large and distinguished group of the senior officers of the British Merchant Service, had assumed such proportions that he feared he might not be able to continue to give undivided attention to his Board of Trade duties.

Important Public Work.
In the second place, having other important public work to do, he felt it his duty to make room for a younger man who, given his start as an under-secretary at an earlier age than he himself had reached (Sir Burton is 58), should prove to be a source of strength to the Conservative party in the future.

Replying on Jan. 5, the Prime Minister referred to the zeal and loyalty with which for more than three years Sir Burton had performed his exacting duties at the Board of Trade. It was with great regret that he learned that Sir Burton wished to be freed from official work to devote his time to help in so establishing the position of the Company of Master Mariners that it might take its rightful place in the life of the British nation.

Public-Spirited Offer.
"Your generous and public-spirited offer to make room for a younger man while you are still in the prime of life," the Prime Minister added, "is team work of a very high order, and I feel confident that your action, appreciated as it is by me, will be no less appreciated by the Conservative party and by British seamen, to whom you feel yourself bound by so many ties."

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, President of the Board of Trade, writing to Sir Burton on Jan. 14, said he understood his wish to devote himself to a work which was peculiarly his own and which no one else could do so well.

NOT TO MARRY.
EARL OF BANDON & MISS CLIFTON.

The announcement has been made that the marriage arranged between the Earl of Bandon, an Irish peer, and Miss Marjory Sheila Clifton will not take place.

The engagement was announced last June. The fifth Earl of Bandon is 23. He succeeded to the title in 1921. He has a twin brother. The earl has played much Rugby football. While he was stationed at Shotwick, as an officer attached to the aerodrome, he played with the Birkenhead Park Club. He has also won distinction as a sprinter.

He had a very narrow escape from death in 1926. His aeroplane, in which he was accompanied by a mechanic, crashed into telephone wires when taking off and nose-dived into a hedge. When the aerodrome staff ran to the scene they saw the earl and the mechanic scrambling out practically unhurt, the earl's face being slightly cut.

Unusual Succession.
He succeeded to the title in an unusual way. The late Earl died at the age of 74. His heir, his cousin, predeceased him, as did also his heir's eldest son. The present Earl succeeded as grandson of the late Earl's cousin. The family seat is Castle Bernard, in Ireland. The Countess of Bandon, the widow of the fourth Earl, has a house in Princes-gardens, S.W.

Miss Marjory Sheila Clifton, the only daughter of Colonel Clifton, of Clifton Hall, Nottingham, belongs to a county family whose history dates back eight hundred years. She is cousin of Sir Hervey Bruce, the eight-year-old baronet, of Down Hill, Londonderry.

THE MAN OF MIDDLE AGE.
The average man of 45 is reluctant to admit that his powers of resistance to the strain of daily affairs has diminished. He flatters himself that he retains the energy of youth, and is accordingly prone to overtax nerves and muscles. Again, his resistance to the processes that insidiously undermine health is weakened. It becomes more and more difficult to shake off even a common cold.

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BRITISH FILMS.

"VAUDEVILLE" COMPLETED AT ELSTREE.

BOOK THAT HELPED CHAPLIN.

The British super-film "Moulin Rouge," made by E. A. Dupont, creator of "Vaudeville," was finished after a whole night's work in the British International studios at Elstree.

The final shots were taken in circumstances of absolute secrecy, and were the most spectacular ever staged in this or any other country in Europe.

They concerned the wrecking of a motor-car travelling along a road at high speed, and for this purpose an actual full-size highway, complete with trees, telegraph poles and road signs, as well as banks and hedges and landscape, were set up in one of the great halls at Elstree.

The car, driven by one of the stars of the film, M. Jean Bradin, was then launched upon its adventure, an automatic cinema camera being attached to it.

Red Cross Men Ready.
At a given moment the car became out of control, ran into the hedge and hit a telegraph pole, which it brought down across the road. The car turned a somersault and came to rest a wreck, the driver being hurled into the roadway. Red Cross men were standing by in the studio in case of disaster, but their services were not required, and the feat was duly accomplished without mishap.

"Moulin Rouge," begun as far back as August, was at last complete. Those who have seen some of the film already prepared describe it as establishing new standards of cinematography.

The woman star of the film is Miss Olga Tchekova, who, it has not yet been noted, is a niece of Tchekova, the great Russian author.

Authority for "The Circus."
The next super-film at Elstree is "Champagne," by Mr. Walter Mycroft and directed by Mr. Alfred Hitchcock. This is again of spectacular dimensions. It will probably be followed by "Punch and Judy," which is based on the story written specially for British International by Mr. Willson Disher.

It was Mr. Disher's standard work, "Clowns and Pantomime," which Mr. Charles Chaplin consulted as his authority when he was preparing his film "The Circus," soon to be seen in Hong Kong.

News in mail week was that Mr. Chaplin himself was to have been in London for the premiere of his film.

DRUNKEN DRIVER.

A WOMAN WHO DROVE WITH WHISKY.

For being drunk in charge of a motor-car at Littlehampton, Charlotte Mary Ball was fined £30 and her licence suspended for three years.

She was also fined a further £10 for dangerous driving and £2 9s. 6d. costs. She pleaded guilty.

Mr. Dell, for the police, said that the woman was seen in the High Street in charge of a large saloon car with a bottle of whisky beside her. She had to be assisted to the police station, and a police surgeon certified her as drunk.

Mr. Wannop, for the woman, said she had driven a car for 16 years without complaint. She was a newcomer to the town and held an off-licence at Wandsworth for five years. There was nothing against her.

STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong during March, according to the standard time of the 120th meridian east of Greenwich, is as follows:—

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
March	a.m.	p.m.
1	6.44	6.27
2	6.43	6.28
3	6.42	6.28
4	6.41	6.28
5	6.40	6.29
6	6.39	6.29
7	6.39	6.30
8	6.38	6.30
9	6.37	6.31
10	6.36	6.31
11	6.35	6.32
12	6.34	6.32
13	6.34	6.32
14	6.33	6.32
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16	6.32	6.33
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Shanghai		Yingchow
FRIDAY, MARCH 2.		
Shanghai		Macedonia
SUNDAY, MARCH 4.		
Straits		Suva Maru.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai		President Jefferson
MONDAY, MARCH 5.		
Manila		Empress of Russia.
Manila		President McKinley
THURSDAY, MARCH 15.		
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai		Empress of Asia

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For	Per	
THURSDAY, MARCH 1.		
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MONDAY, MARCH 5.		
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RUPEE STABILISATION.

No New Taxation Proposed This Year.

New Delhi, Yesterday.
Sir Hugh Blackett, introducing the Budget in the Legislative Assembly, said the financial year 1926-27 showed a net improvement of 14 lakhs over the revised estimates. Prices were stable and trade figures reflected the advantages of the stabilisation of the rupee. Taxes and income in 1927-1928 were disappointing and showed a falling off of 130 lakhs. The Salt income was worse by 25 lakhs, but the railway contribution increased by 88 lakhs. Military expenditure was unchanged and savings due to the despatch of troops to China were used for urgent expenditure on modernisation. The total expenditure was 12,774 lakhs and the total revenue the same figure.

The quotations of Government securities in India and London, and the success of the sterling loan demonstrated, the improvement in India's credit. At the recent rate of progress the unproductive debt would vanish in 12 years.

The Budget was not involved in new taxation and it was not proposed to make further reduction to existing taxes.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI REDS.

TERRORISM STILL PREVAILS.

MANY ARRESTS.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
Recent arrests of prominent Communists, including Chow Chichu, the Secretary of the General Labour Union, has resulted in a notable decrease in Communist propaganda, but assassination and terrorism is still going on. For example, there was the shooting yesterday morning of a prominent anti-Communist labour man in an alleyway at Jessfield, while endeavours to suppress armed robbers was again costly early this morning when a Chinese, dressed in a long gown, held up at the Haining Road barrier by a Chinese constable, drew an automatic, shot the constable in the leg, then killed another, shot in the head, and seriously wounded a Sikh with three wounds, while the murderer escaped in the confusion scatheless.—Reuter.

NOT WELCOME.

AMERICAN PEACE OVERTURES.

OPINION IN FRANCE.

Paris, Yesterday.
Mr. Kellogg's latest Note is not more welcome to the Paris Press than were its predecessors. The chief objection apparently is that it does not deal with realities and that there is "some suggestion of insincerity."

"Le Journal," however, says that though Mr. Kellogg's Note does not mean adherence to the Geneva formula it does not close the discussion but prepares the way for fresh explanations which M. Briand will not fail to furnish.—Reuter.

ESTONIA.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE.

London, Yesterday.
On the occasion of the 10th anniversary of Estonian independence Sir A. Chamberlain has offered the Estonian Government sincere congratulations on the progress achieved by their country and the best wishes for its increasing prosperity and peaceful development.

M. Rebane, the Estonian Foreign Minister, in his reply expresses "cordial thanks of the whole Estonian nation for the powerful assistance given by your great country during our difficult days of the struggle for independence as well as our sincere wishes for the preservation and development of the cordial relations happily existing between our countries."—British Wireless Service.

NEARING A CRUX.

British And Egyptian Relations.

THE PROPOSED TREATY.

Reported As Effective For Ten Years.

Cairo, Yesterday.
Protracted party meetings and frequent conferences between party leaders and also between Premier Sarwat and Lord Lloyd indicate that the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations are nearing a crux. The "El Ahram" publishes another summary which apparently is the most accurate reflection of the conversations hitherto published.

The newspaper declares that the proposed Treaty will be effective for ten years during which the British occupation will remain unchanged. At the end of the decade, the question will be submitted to the League of Nations, if agreement is not previously reached. Other clauses modify the present British supervision of internal affairs and the Sirdarate. In the event of a declaration of war arbitration Egypt will help her in Egyptian territory.

Another View.
Great Britain will support the Egyptian entry into the League of Nations immediately the treaty is signed.

It is understood that Sir Austen Chamberlain has informed Sarwat Pasha that if the conversations do not result in agreement, Britain will have her hands free concerning the four so-called reserved points, namely, the defence of Egypt against foreign aggression, the maintenance of the British Imperial communications, protection of foreign interests in Egypt and future administration of the Sudan.

Help in War Time.
In the event of a declaration of war against Britain Egypt would help her.

Inaccurate Forecasts.

London, Yesterday.
It is understood that the Egyptian Premier, Sarwat Pasha, has now laid before his Cabinet the results of his conversation in London with Sir Austen Chamberlain. The purpose of these conversations was to substitute for the unilateral declaration of 1922, which now governs the relations at the two countries, a treaty of alliance between Great Britain and Egypt.

The Egyptian Press contains inaccurate and misleading forecasts of the draft treaty which should only be accepted with the utmost reserve pending the laying of the papers relating to the conversations which Sir Austen Chamberlain has promised to Parliament at the earliest possible moment.—British Wireless Service.

HOME RAILWAYS.

EXTENSION OF POWERS ASKED FOR.

BILLS IN PARLIAMENT.

London, Yesterday.
Parliament began last night what is likely to be a protracted examination of Bills presented by railway companies for the extension of powers which will enable them to operate road services for the transport of goods and passengers.

The railway companies claim that in fairness they should be allowed to meet the competition of road transport undertakings which, unlike them, are not general carriers and are not bound to accept all traffic that offers but may choose to carry only the most profitable loads. For road undertakings it is suggested that if powers were granted to the railways they might in time obtain a monopoly of all transport services.

The interests of the public in transport are being closely watched in Parliament.

It is anticipated that the second reading of the Railways Bill will be passed to-night. The Bill will then be sent to a joint committee of both Houses of Parliament before which details will be fully examined.—British Wireless Service.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The clearing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/0 3/16.

BAHREIN ISLANDS.

Persia Agitating For Possession.

BRITISH PROTECTION.

No Departure From Present Policy, Says Sir A. Chamberlain.

London, Yesterday.
The small Bahrain Islands in the Persian Gulf, comparatively unimportant except historically as the supposed original home of the Phoenicians, and ruled by a Sheikh under British protection, have become a bone of contention between Persia and Britain.

The Islands were mentioned in the Anglo-Hedjaz treaty concluded last year, whereupon Persia challenged the British right to deal with them and protested to Britain and other members of the League of Nations claiming the Islands as a Persian possession.

Sir A. Chamberlain to-day replied to Persia, declaring the Islands were not a part of Persia either geographically or ethnologically, citing historical evidences that acknowledged British protection and concluding by stating that the British Government consistently endeavoured to ensure the peaceful development of the Islands. The welfare of the inhabitants shall not be disturbed by unjustified attempts of their neighbours to subject them to foreign domination; they were not prepared to contemplate a departure from that policy, said Sir Austen.—Reuter.

WAR PREVENTION.

GERMAN SUGGESTIONS CONSIDERED.

MATTER ADJOURNED.

Geneva, Yesterday.
The League security committee for three hours discussed German suggestions for the prevention of war providing, inter alia, that States undertake in advance to carry out recommendations of the Council of the League to prevent aggravation and the extension of disputes.

Lord Cushendun, criticised the suggestion while M. Paul Boncour conditionally favoured them. Finally the matter was adjourned until next session of the committee. Meanwhile the German suggestions will be submitted to the various governments.—Reuter.

SIR H. RUMBOLD.

NEW AMBASSADOR TO GERMANY.

London, Yesterday.
The King has approved the appointment of Sir Horace Rumbold, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Madrid, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Berlin. Sir H. Rumbold was Charge d'Affaires in Berlin at the outbreak of war. Newspapers here express satisfaction with the appointment of a diplomatist who has had so long and distinguished a career and who has already served in Berlin. Opinion is expressed that his previous knowledge of Germany will enable him to consolidate friendly relations which have been the object of Lord d'Abernon and Sir Ronald Lindsay, his predecessors in Berlin.—British Wireless Service.

CAVELL FILM.

OFFICIAL ACCOUNT OF EXECUTION.

Berlin, Yesterday.
An official statement on the Cavell film declares that Nurse Cavell was shot by a platoon of soldiers and died instantaneously. It flatly denies the statement that one soldier refused to fire and that an officer shot her with a revolver.—Reuter.

MARSHAL DIAZ.

ITALIAN ARMY CHIEF DIES.

Rome, Yesterday.
The death is announced of Marshal Diaz, Commander-in-Chief of the Army.—Reuter.

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